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RENOWN, ARK ROYAL, BARHAM AND FRENCH BATTLESHIP WAIT FOR DEPARTURE OF GRAF SPEE

145,000 Tons Of Allied Warships Off Uruguay

A HAVAS MESSAGE FROM MONTEVIDEO STATES THAT NO LESS THAN 145,000 TONS OF ALLIED WARSHIPS ARE LYING OFF THE URUGUAYAN COAST WAITING FOR THE DEPARTURE OF THE GERMAN POCKET BATTLESHIP ADMIRAL GRAF SPEE.

A COASTGUARD VESSEL REPORTED THAT IT SAW THE CRUISERS, H.M.S. CUMBERLAND, FORMERLY OF THE CHINA STATION, AND H.M.S. ACHILLES.

Other warships said to be mounting guard on the horizon are the battleships H.M.S. Renown and H.M.S. Barham, the aircraft-carrier H.M.S. Ark Royal and the French battleship Dunkerque.

Reuter from New York says it is reported that Uruguay has informed the German Legation that the Graf Spee must leave Montevideo before 11.30 p.m. or she would be interned.

READY FOR SEA

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—It is stated in Montevideo that the Graf Spee was ready for sea last night after hurried repairs but during the night work was still proceeding.

It is believed that the Uruguayan Government believes it impossible to announce the exact time and expiration of the time limit.

ADMIRAL SCHEER

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—The Rome Radio says that the Admiral Scheer, sistership of the Graf Spee, is making for the River Plate, accompanied by submarines.

IN SAFETY ZONE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, U. S. Secretary of State, told the press conference that the United States and other American nations are concerned about the naval hostilities in the so-called 300-mile safety zone.

He added that the preliminary exchange of views and information concerning the possibility of future naval battles, as well as that involving the Graf Spee and British warships off the Uruguayan coast, have been held.

STILL DOUBTFUL

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—It is still doubtful when the

129 LIVES LOST IN DUCHESS

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—The Admiralty announce that six officers and 123 men lost their lives when the destroyer H.M.S. Duchess was sunk.

The following officers are missing and are believed drowned:—Gunner (T) P. H. Gordon, Probationary Midshipman C. L. Kretschmer, Lieutenants G. W. Murray, J. M. L. Schofield and (E) O. P. Tilden and Lieut-Commander R. C. White.

LANDSDORF TELLS HIS OWN STORY

Gun Accuracy Of British

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—Captain Landsdorf, Captain of the Admiral Graf Spee, told his own story of the naval battle in his report to the Uruguayan authorities in which he points out that he was handicapped by having to "fight on three quarters."

The rapidity of the manoeuvres of the British cruisers so upset his plans that he found himself lacking deep water until a shot from one of his guns but the Exeter out of action.

Then the Ajax slipped in towards the shore and scored two hits damaging the fire control and penetrating the compartment above the water line. Many casualties were caused.

GREAT ACCURACY

The British gunners placed the shells, with great accuracy, with the result that a high percentage of the crew of the Graf Spee were put out of action—not only killed and wounded but also suffering from bruises and minor injuries.

Captain Landsdorf therefore decided to attempt to escape under a smoke screen with the object of resuming the action under more favourable conditions, possibly taking on the British cruisers separately, but this manoeuvre was rapidly foreseen by the British staff and frustrated.

INCONCEIVABLE AUDACITY

With inconceivable audacity the Achilles and Ajax approached through the smoke screen to within a mile of the Admiral Graf Spee firing from both sides. The Exeter, almost hors-de-combat, remained to the north apparently to impede the passage of the Graf Spee.

Captain Landsdorf adds that the Achilles and the Ajax, with their speed and mobility, continued to harry the Graf Spee compelling him to increase his front while the Exeter assisted them from time to time, with long-range broadsides.

At this point Captain Landsdorf decided to break off the action. Later, off Lobos Island, the Ajax and Achilles again closed in and the Graf Spee was forced to slacken speed and fire a broadside to "keep the enemy at a respectable distance."

"PEACE" GROUP KIDNAPPING

SHANGHAI, Dec. 17 (Int'l).—Agents of the "peace" group are believed responsible for the kidnapping, on Chen Hsien-chang, secretary of a journalistic guild, on Saturday night, in Nanking Road, outside the Sally Rand Confessionary.

The victim was active for some time in disclosing the activities of the "peace" group in Shanghai.

Commodore Knighted, Promoted

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—In recognition of his very gallant and successful fight against the Graf Spee Commodore H.H. Harwood has been made a Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath (K.C.B.) and promoted Rear-Admiral.

The Captains of the other two cruisers have been made Companions of the Order of the Bath (C.B.).

Rear-Admiral Sir Henry Harwood is well-known on the China Station as Commander of H.M.S. Cumberland when she was stationed here in 1928 and 1929.

Gunfire On Belgian Coast

BRUSSELS, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—It is reported that the sound of gunfire coming from the direction of the sea was heard on the Belgian coast. The firing is described as being of an apparently serious nature.

Fierce Battle On North Finnish-Soviet Front

OSLO, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—Yesterday's battle between Salmijarvi and Pitcaartaarvi, on the northern Finnish-Soviet front, was fiercely fought, according to reports from Svanvik today.

Hostilities started early in the morning and developed with rapidity.

Russian bombers played an active part, while land forces, estimated at 4,000, were in fully motorized units.

Finnish refugees are now crossing the frontier and the Finns are burning all houses and destroying every bridge where they are retreating.

It is believed that the Finns are preparing for a counter-offensive in the south.

A Moscow communique claims the capture of Salmijarvi, sixty kilometres south of Petsamo, representing an advance of 125 kilometres in the central district and quote a successful advance on the Karelian Isthmus.

The communique adds that owing to unfavourable weather there has been no aerial activity.

HOLDING OWN

HELSINKI, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—After a week of violent fighting all along the eastern frontier, the Finns are more holding their own. Every Sector, except in the extreme north, the double threat to Finland's wasp-waist has been momentarily averted.

The Soviet forces are estimated at between 500,000 to 750,000 strong in Central Finland.

North of Lake Ladoga, the Finns claim a resounding victory in what is described as a four-days pitched battle round Tolvaajarvi.

Two whole Russian regiments, comprising of 5,000 men, are reported to have been virtually annihilated.

In the Karelian Isthmus the heavy Russian pressure has effected little change in the position.



British and French soldiers sharing a meal.

CHINA ON WAY TO VICTORY IS BELIEF OF EUROPEAN LEADERS: MR. SUN FO INTERVIEWED

UNREST IN JAPAN PREDICTED Impressions Of War: Allies Gaining Upper Hand

CHUNGKING, Dec. 17 (Central).—Mr. Aoyama, Japanese anti-war writer, said at the reception given by the Political Board of the National Military Council and the San Min Chu Yi (Three People's Principles) Youth Corps in honor of the Burmese Goodwill Mission last night that anti-war feelings are running high in Japan, and predicted something striking to happen in Japan next April.

He stated that the hand of the Japanese imperialists is being extended to Thailand, Burma and India. He warned the Burmese against Japanese malicious propaganda.

CHUNGKING, Dec. 17 (Central).—Leaders of European Powers, whom he met, all believed that China is on her way to victory while Japan, confronted with a shortage of man-power and material resources and mounting diplomatic difficulties, is being gradually weakened, declared Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, when interviewed by Central News on his return yesterday afternoon.

Japan had thought to take advantage of the European war to tighten her aggression in China, but she encountered even greater difficulties in foreign relations, Mr. Sun remarked.

Mr. Sun declared that British, French and Soviet sympathy with and assistance to China remains unaltered and there will be no change in their Far Eastern policy.

While feeling depressed at the confused situation in Europe, the governments of European Powers pin high hopes on China's resistance and believe that China's victory and rebirth will not be far ahead, Mr. Sun added.

Giving his impressions of the European war, Mr. Sun stated that Britain and France seem to be gaining the upper hand. Germany seeks for a sharp and short war but British and French strategy is to wage a prolonged war. This is why Britain and France are enforcing the blockade, on the one hand, and completing preparations for long-term warfare, on the other, and, to avoid unnecessary losses they are on the defensive on the Maginot Line.

Owing to the Allies' superior naval strength, the blockade of Germany has produced favourable effect, Mr. Sun observed. The British and French air forces are under replenishment and, therefore, they have not yet taken large-scale action. Neither has the German air force made any big operations in view of the great distance of London.

Mr. Sun said that it is yet difficult to predict the outcome of the European situation as it is subjected to constant changes.

Shortly after his arrival yesterday afternoon, Mr. Sun called on Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, for about an hour.

Mr. Sun was entertained at dinner in the evening by General Wu Ts-chen, former Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government and now Director of the Overseas Affairs Department of the Central Kuomintang Headquarters.

It is learned in authoritative quarters that the examination will be carried out normally and without any suggestion of a "test case" being involved.

U.S. SHIPPING IN MEDITERRANEAN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the United States Maritime Commission will probably issue a formal order on Monday authorizing the trans-Atlantic liners Washington and Manhattan to operate between New York and Italy.

The Commission indicated that it was willing to allow these ships to ply the Mediterranean, providing an agreement can be worked out with the other lines already serving in the Mediterranean.

ANTI-LABE CABINET PAMPHLETS FROM JAPANESE PLANE

LOYANG, Dec. 17 (Central).—A large quantity of anti-war pamphlets were dropped from a lone Japanese plane near Poshan in North Anhwei, on Dec. 8, according to a belated report. The pamphlets call on all Japanese soldiers to unite to overthrow the Abe Cabinet and establish peace.

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JAPANESE DEFEATED ON KWANGSI BORDER: CHINESE SUCCESSES IN HUNAN

CHIENKIANG, KWANGSI, Dec. 17. (Central).—Six hundred Japanese at Pingki on the Kwangsi-Kwangtung border, approximately 75 miles south of Nanning, were defeated in an engagement on Thursday.

They suffered scores of casualties and lost more than 100 rifles. Four cavalrymen were taken prisoner.

MILO, HUNAN, Dec. 17 (Central).—The Chinese who recaptured Yanglowze on the Canton-Hankow Railway, 37 miles north of Yoyang, recovered Fellschan and Hengki, two vantage points to the southwest of Yanglowze, Thursday morning. Some 200 Japanese were killed in action.

SOUTH SHANSI

HINGTSL, SHENSI, Dec. 17 (Central).—After a ten-day sanguinary battle, Japanese forces at Machiamiao, south-east of Hsianghsien, in South Shansi, have finally been dislodged. They retreated towards Yenchenghen. Part of them are surrounded south of Machiamiao.

The Chinese are rapidly advancing on Fangshanmiao and Fanchiafen, east of Hsianghsien. The defeat of the Japanese at Machiamiao, their last stand, signifies the complete failure of

CHINESE SUCCESS

PINGKIANG, HUNAN, Dec. 17 (Central).—The Chinese scored a victory over the Japanese in the south-east suburbs of Puchi, on the Canton-Hankow Railway, 78 miles south of Wuchang, on Thursday. Over 800 Japanese casualties were inflicted and 24 Japanese machine-guns and 103 rifles were seized.

The Japanese retired into the city, which was immediately surrounded.

The railway station and the telegraph wires and poles were damaged.

The Chinese siege of Tungcheng, in South Hupeh, continues. Tzekowchen, northeast of Tungshan, has been recovered by the Chinese.



235 PUNTERS SHARE "DAILY DOUBLE" POOL OF \$58,361 ON THE LAST DAY OF RACING SEASON

A Grand Time Upsets To Pay \$101.50

Excellent conditions featured the closing day of the Hongkong Jockey Club's 1939 racing season at the Valley on Saturday when a substantial "Daily Double" pool of \$58,361 was shared by 235 backers, each receiving \$248.30 for nominating New Star and Rose Flana.

The big upset of the afternoon was created by A Grand Time, who returned \$101.50—the best dividend of the day.

The three leading jockeys of the season are Mr. C. Encarnacao with 34 wins and 36 places, Mr. V. V. Needa with 25 wins and 41 places, and Mr. D. Black with 18 wins and 31 places.

Following are the results:—

RACE ONE

Hectic View was in front by about two lengths all the way round up to the rock where Confusion Bay took command. Leading into the straight Confusion Bay went on to win comfortably.

Confusion Bay carried 877 out of 971 win tickets on the pari-mutuel, the other runner in this two-horse affair carrying only 94.

Hongkong Autumn Champions—One and a Quarter Miles

Mr. L. Dunbar's Confusion Bay, 161 lbs. (Mr. D. Black) 1
Lan's Hectic View, 158 lbs. (Mr. H. C. Pih) 2

Won by five lengths.
Time: 2.30.4.
Pari Mutuel:—
Winner: \$5.10.
Places: \$5.10.

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Confusion Bay	877	230
Hectic View	94	20
	971	250

RACE TWO

Pumpnickle, the favourite, was first away with Helnz, Brutus (second favourite) and Dick Turpin (third in demand) following in that order.

Pumpnickle maintained the lead into the straight and went on to win easily by three lengths from Macquarie River (outsider) who came up strongly on the off-side to displace Helnz and Brutus. The latter eventually beat Helnz for third place while Dick Turpin finished fifth, and Zodiac a bad last.

Laggards' Handicap—(Six Furlongs)

Mr. J. H. Jensen's Pumpnickle, 160 lbs. (Mr. B. A. Proulx) 1
Gredka's Macquarie River, 135 lbs. (Mr. D. Black) 2
Mr. G. Trevorton's Brutus, 150 lbs. (Mr. H. C. Pih) 3.

Won by three lengths, a neck between second and third.
Time: 1.18.3.
Pari Mutuel:—
Winner: \$13.60.
Places: \$6.70, \$11.20, \$3.70.

Also ran:—Dick Turpin 140 lbs. (W. G. Poy); Helnz 140 (S. W. Tang); Schmetterling 142 (C. F. H. Churchill); Zodiac 143 (V. V. Needa).

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Brutus	1100	1058
Dick Turpin	597	876
Helnz	308	425
Macquarie River	203	293
Pumpnickle	1216	1029
Schmetterling	69	108
Zodiac	279	351
	3,772	3,940

RACE THREE

Dow Jones, King's Envoy, Rose Day (the three least fancied) and Matador (favourite) were in front first time round. At the rock Matador forged ahead and taking the lead was first into the straight.

In the home run Heddon (fourth in demand) and Smiling Time (second favourite) ousted the leaders one by one, but could not catch up with Matador who man-

aged to keep in front by a head. Heddon and Smiling Time finished next in order with a neck between them. Gog (third favourite) was fourth and Geordie (carrying only 71 out of 4,968 tickets) was a good fifth, while Dow Jones, King's Envoy and Rose Day finished in the rear.

Dilatary Handicap—(One Mile)

Mr. Fan's Matador, 158 lbs. (Mr. S. C. Liang) 1
Bird's Heddon, 154 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 2
Miss L. Po-chun's Smiling Time, 166 lbs. (Mr. C. Encarnacao) 3

Won by a head, a neck between second and third.
Time: 2.07.4.
Pari Mutuel:—
Winner: \$11.10.
Places: \$5.90, \$9.80, \$6.40.

Also ran:—Dow Jones 143 lbs. (H. J. A. Hearne); Geordie 149 (R. M. Wood); Gog 145 (V. V. Needa); King's Envoy 154 (L. B. Chao); Rose Day 140 (S. W. Fan).

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Dow Jones	88	193
Geordie	71	157
Gog	947	1002
Heddon	303	345
King's Envoy	90	147
Matador	1974	1866
Rose Day	54	103
Smiling Time	1441	1254
	4,968	5,007

RACE FOUR

Musketier was in front first time round with King Kong second and Celtic Star third. In the back stretch King Kong (hot favourite) closed in while Celtic Star fell back and was about ten lengths behind King Kong at the rock.

King Kong, going very well, was neck and neck with Musketier into the straight and eventually forged ahead to win by two lengths while Celtic Star, making a late spurt, was third, five lengths behind Musketier, the field of three finishing in the order in which they were backed.

Hongkong Sub-Griffins Autumn Champions—(One and a Quarter Miles)

Cocosa's King Kong, 161 lbs. (Mr. L. B. Chao) 1
Fan's Musketier, 152 lbs. (Mr. S. C. Liang) 2
S. L. K's Celtic Star, 158 lbs. (Mr. C. Encarnacao) 3

Won by two lengths, four lengths between second and third.
Time: 2.35.1.
Pari Mutuel:—
Winner: \$6.60.
Places: \$6.60.

Also ran:—Commencement Bay 140 lbs. (Y. T. Fung); Expansion Time 153 (V. V. Needa); Gladiator 142 (H. J. A. Hearne); Jennifer 167 (B. A. Proulx); Just In Time 142 (Ip Kiu-ying); Lancashire Lass 153 (L. B. Chao); Potentate 153 (C. Encarnacao).

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Celtic Star	284	73
King Kong	1758	598
Musketier	352	92
	2,392	763

RACE FIVE

The field went off in line with Oak Bay (outsider) slightly in front. Down the back stretch Oak Bay was well ahead with Potentate (favourite) and Expansion Time following. Commencement Bay was last, ten lengths behind.

Oak Bay led into the straight but in the home run New Star (second favourite) came up strongly and ousted the leaders to win by a short head. Humdrum Eve, making a late spurt, finished third, a short-head behind Oak Bay, while Expansion Time defeated Potentate, for fourth posi-

"LAST QUARTER" ON TOP AGAIN

"Last Quarter," the Hongkong Daily Press racing expert, was again successful in his selections for Saturday's races with four direct winners in Confusion Bay, Pumpnickle, King Kong and New Star.

Two horses tipped for places came first. They are Matador and Plet Hein.

In addition "Last Quarter" had seven other placed horses among his selections for the day, making a total of 13 successes out of 24 selections. It pays to follow "Last Quarter."

CASH SWEEPS

Race 1
No. 4149 \$2,664.75
No. 676 \$ 883.25

Race 2
No. 3359 \$2,626.40
No. 3323 \$ 750.40
No. 4417 \$ 375.20

Unplaced Tickets Nos. 4127, 2815, 4708, 3850 get \$50 each.

Race 3
No. 1497 \$2,804.20
No. 3655 \$ 801.20
No. 2937 \$ 400.60

Unplaced Tickets Nos. 5137, 2814, 520, 3280, 38 get \$50 each.

Race 4
No. 3880 \$3,138.80
No. 4364 \$ 896.80
No. 5134 \$ 448.40

Race 5
No. 3114 \$5,681.20
No. 3578 \$1,823.20
No. 3232 \$ 811.60

Unplaced Tickets Nos. 1195, 4141, 2311, 4798, 4777, 2238, 5246 get \$100 each.

Race 6
No. 3568 \$3,176.60
No. 20 \$ 907.60
No. 1088 \$ 453.80

Unplaced Tickets Nos. 1534, 2719, 1678, 1713, 983 get \$50 each.

Race 7
No. 819 \$3,337.60
No. 1270 \$ 953.60
No. 6234 \$ 478.80

Unplaced Tickets Nos. 2805, 4170, 4741, 4033, 5936, 3037, 2195, 3400 get \$50 each.

Race 8
No. 3377 \$6,420.40
No. 1484 \$1,834.40
No. 1064 \$ 917.20

Unplaced Ticket No. 12 get \$100.

Commencement Bay was last by several lengths.

Tardy Handicap—(One Mile)

Kong Bros' New Star, 156 lbs. (Mr. S. W. Fan) 1
Mrs. Stanton's Oak Bay, 140 lbs. (Mr. S. W. Fan) 2
Lan's Humdrum Eve, 168 lbs. (Mr. H. C. Pih) 3

Won by short head, the same between second and third.
Time: 1.58.3.
Pari Mutuel:—
Winner: \$19.30.
Places: \$8.80, \$37.50, \$11.60.

Also ran:—Commencement Bay 140 lbs. (Y. T. Fung); Expansion Time 153 (V. V. Needa); Gladiator 142 (H. J. A. Hearne); Jennifer 167 (B. A. Proulx); Just In Time 142 (Ip Kiu-ying); Lancashire Lass 153 (L. B. Chao); Potentate 153 (C. Encarnacao).

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Commencement Bay	50	63
Expansion Time	315	417
Gladiator	243	316
Humdrum Eve	688	697
Jennifer	180	214
Just In Time	31	75
Lancashire Lass	858	849
New Star	1217	1227
Oak Bay	139	142
Potentate	1599	1484
	5,320	5,484

RACE SIX

Lancashire Chips (second favourite) led the field first time past the stands with A Grand Time (least fancied) and Baffin

INTERNATIONAL RUGGER

England & Wales Beat Scotland And Ireland

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—The first international rugby match at Richmond for 30 years was played yesterday when a combined England and Wales team beat Scotland and Ireland by 17 to 3 points; the score at half-time was 6-0.

RED CROSS BENEFIT

The match was for the benefit of the Red Cross and the teams were chosen entirely from the Services and included 28 international players.

A crowd of 4,000 watched an interesting game in which the English and Welsh were superior in all departments, except in the full-back line, which laid the foundation for their success in the scrums, in which the Welsh international Travers, hooked brilliantly.

The three-quarters also shone as a combination and individually. The Scottish made spasmodic forward rushes.

ENGLAND TEAM

The following players have been selected to represent England against Scotland in the "Sunday Herald" Cup competition on Tuesday, December 26 on Club Ground, kick-off at 3.30 p.m.

Robinson (Navy), Roughley (Navy), Hedy (Navy), Layle (Navy), Bright (Middlesex) (Capt.), Wilkinson (Middlesex), Gardner (H.K.E.), Thorburn (Navy) Fowler (H.K. Club), Saw (Middlesex), Thomas (Middlesex), E. Strange (H.K. Club) Brett (Navy), Rides (R.A.O.C.), Freshwater (Middlesex).

LADIES TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

The following are the latest results in the Colony Ladies Lawn Tennis Tournaments:—

SINGLES

Miss J. Reeve beat Mrs. F. C. Tracey, 6-0, 6-3.
Mrs. Smeby was given a "walk over," Mrs. Marriott having withdrawn.

DOUBLES

Mrs. Smeby and Mrs. Kevan beat Mrs. Whitman and Mrs. Marriott, 6-3, 6-4.

Entries into the 2nd rounds of the Singles and Doubles Tournaments are:—

Singles:—Miss J. Reeve v. Mrs. Smeby; Mrs. E. Litton v. Miss R. Rumbach.

Doubles:—Mrs. Burnett and Miss Bradbury v. Miss Griffiths and Mrs. Chui; Mrs. Smeby and Mrs. Kevan v. Miss Lade and Mrs. Churchill.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BOXING.—Middlesex Regt. Inter-Company (Novices), 7.30 p.m.
POLO.—R.A. Cup Polo, 3.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

BOXING.—Middlesex Regt. Inter-Company (Novices), 7.30 p.m.
BRIDGE.—Y.M.C.A. Bridge Class, 10 a.m.

Bay (fourth favourite) in close attendance.

Lancashire Chips led into the straight but weakened in the home run and was only able to finish fourth. A Grand Time and Baffin Bay went on to finish in that order while Chiltern making a late rush, snatched third place by a head from Lancashire Chips. Counting Eve, the favourite, was never in the picture.

Queensland Autumn Champions—(One and a Quarter Miles)

Mr. L. Po-chun's A Grand Time, 148 lbs. (Mr. D. Black) 1
Mr. L. Dunbar's Baffin Bay, 155 lbs. (Mr. P. P. Botelho) 2
Mr. Shi Tong-sen's Chiltern, 155 lbs. (Mr. C. Encarnacao) 3

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Eastern Loses To Kowloon

CLUB'S FIRST WIN ON SATURDAY

What chances Eastern had of securing the championship of the football League were shattered on Saturday when they were defeated by Kowloon, playing at home, by the odd goal in seven.

Kowloon showed tip-top form and did not allow Eastern to settle down to their usual fine constructive game until they had established a substantial lead of three goals well into the second half.

The heroes of the match were Kowloon's back line of defence. Smith in goal was in good form, and it was chiefly due to his display, especially in the latter stages of the game, that Kowloon managed to win. Eastman and Uldrich, full-backs, covered each other well and showed sound understanding.

The halves were effective in their spoiling and distribution. Maxwell was the best of the two but Bliss, at left-half, was rather shaky.

The forwards played their best game this season, the most outstanding being Jackson. Santos, promoted from the juniors, was weak as leader.

Eastern took a long time to get into their stride, but when they did they found the deficit too great to overcome.

Eastern fielded two new men in Hsu Po-wan and Chong Kan-chuen, who deputised for Hau Ching-lo. The latter's absence was greatly felt and the Eastern attack was not so dangerous as usual.

Jackson opened Kowloon's account through a penalty and ten minutes later Bell added a second. Ten minutes after the interval, Jorge increased the score to three, but shortly later Chang Kim-hai replied for Eastern. Hsu King-sing scored again for Eastern, but Bell put in his second to put Kowloon in a safe position and Lee Tak-kee reduced the arrears.

CLUB'S FIRST WIN

Club registered their first win of the season when they defeated Royal Scots by two goals to one. The fact that they started with only nine men will make their feat a highly commendable one.

Pryde and Gratton, two juniors called upon to fill the vacant positions, were two of the best players on the Club side. Sidney Strange and Millington defended stoutly, while Forster was a hard-working centre-half.

The Scots were badly off form, and the forwards were mediocre in their combination. Hossack had an unusually bad day and could never produce his best form.

After a goalless first half, Club opened the score through Gratton. Continuing to attack Club further drew ahead when Wilson netted from a centre from Gratton.

Revived by this, the Scots took the offensive and Gordon reduced the deficit. The Scotsmen put on pressure but the Club was equal to the occasion and the whistle blew with the Club worthy winners.

McHardy, the Police custodian, was in magnificent form and brought off some really remarkable saves. Blackburn and Fie were a safe pair of backs, while Ferrier and Wong Man-kwai were prominent among the forwards.

South China played their usual methodical game and their combination was always a treat to watch.

Lai Shui-wing opened the account for the Caroline Hill team and Ip Pak-wah put in the second one without a single Police reply.

Tung Wing-sui put South China further ahead but Johnson replied for the Police. From this stage onward the Police played

LADIES HOCKEY:

CAER CLARK CUP COMPETITION

"Y" LADIES - 5; RECREIO L - 0

"Y" LADIES WON THEIR FIFTH CAER CLARK CUP MATCH ON SATURDAY, AND HAVE THUS REACHED THE HALF-WAY STAGE IN THE COMPETITION WITH A RECORD OF NO DEFEATS AND NO DRAWN GAMES.

RECREIO LADIES, though they lost two points, gave a much improved display. They assumed the offensive from the very start, and managed to keep the game as much in "Y" territory as in their own.

An early goal, a distinct possibility, might even have caused an upset, but this was not to be.

Miss D. McCaw netted three times for the winners, and Mrs. S. Gardner twice.

"Y" Ladies tried out a new left-winger, in Miss I. Buchanan, who played a very keen game and proved to be a strong claimant for the position.

St. Andrew's L.—1; H.K. Ladies—1

St. Andrew's Ladies dropped a valuable point to Hongkong Ladies at King's Park, and, though they led at one stage, were lucky enough to draw.

Hongkong Ladies played their strongest line-up to date, the only notable absentee being Mrs. Lumson, who was ably replaced in goal by Miss S. Basket.

FORWARD LINE

The strong H.K. Ladies' defence kept in check the most dangerous forward line the Saints have been able yet to field this season, and even the presence of Mrs. Bliss, making her first appearance this season, could not unsettle it.

St. Andrew's scored first through Miss H. Reid following a scrum-mage in the goalmouth. Down 1-0 at the interval, H.K. Ladies rallied to score through Miss M. Booker.

C.B.A.—5; C.B.A. Ladies—0

Central British School caused an upset at the School ground when they defeated C.B.A. Ladies, leaders in the league table, to win by the convincing margin of five goals to nil.

Miss M. Macfarlane and Miss S. Gehring scored twice each for the winners, and Miss E. Rousseau once. C.B.A. could not get started, and lost to a team that had better balance and more speed.

D.G.S.—1; "Y" Ladies—0

Diocesan Girls' School caused another upset when they defeated "Y" Ladies juniors on the School ground by the only goal of the match.

"Y" Ladies were without Miss Buchanan and Miss Stokes, both of whom were playing for the Senior XI against Recreio. Miss Eva Churn scored in the first half.

Recreio L.—1; Argonauts—1

Argonauts came quite near to taking both points from Recreio Ladies at King's Park, and a little more experience of league games could have won them the day.

Leading 1-0 after a goal scored by Miss C. O'Neil, they became flustered and a continuous attack by the Recreio forwards resulted in an equaliser being scored before full time. Miss N. Gonsalves netted.

Improved football but could not score.

FULL SCORES

Saturday's results and scorers were:—

FIRST DIVISION

Police 1 S. China "A" 3
Johnson, Lai Shui-wing, Ip Pak-wah, Tung Wing-sui

Kowloon 4 Eastern 3
Bell, Z. Jorge, Hsu King-sing, Chang Kim-hai, Lee Tak-kee

Club 2 Royal Scots 1
Gratton, Gordon

5th A.A. Regt. 0 Eastern 1

SECOND DIVISION "A"

R.A.O.C. 2 Tian Yan-sang
Emerson, 8th Hvy. Regt. 3

30th Hvy. Bty. 3 Cross, Burgess, Dunne

30th Hvy. Bty. 3 Flanders, Ward, Elliott

SECOND DIVISION "B"

Kwong Wah 1 Royal Scots 4
Chin Chi-run, McKay 4

Kowloon 2 Police 1
Knox 2 Morrison

THIRD DIVISION

South China 1 13th Hvy. Bty. 2

HOCKEY TEAMS

The following teams will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club in matches arranged for the coming week.

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COMING EVENTS

DEC.

18—Tides: High 12.23 a.m. and 4.04 p.m. Low 8.24 a.m. and 7.49 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.58 a.m.; Sunset: 5.42 p.m.
Claims against estate of Thomas Meek and Edward Tucker due.
Cheero Club, Gala Christmas Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Sundakan Light and Power Co. Ltd. Annual Mtg. Bank of East Asia Bldg. 12 noon.
H.K. Yorkshiresmen's Society, Annual Meeting, H.K. Hotel, 5.45 p.m.
Busy Bees Working Party—Final Bridge and Mahjongg Drive, Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. War Work, 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 7 p.m.; Flag Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Vicarage: Meeting, to form Winter Food Relief Committee, 6 p.m.
First Aid Examination: St. John's Ambulance Brigade Hqs., 6 p.m.
T.A. Cup Polo, 1.30 p.m.
Middlesex Regt. Inter-Company (Novices) Boxing Meet, 7.30 p.m.
St. Paul's Church—Christmas Carols, 7.30 p.m.
19—Tides: High 1.07 a.m. and 4.46 p.m. Low 9.09 a.m. and 10.08 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.58 a.m.; Sunset: 5.42 p.m.
Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Claims against estate of Gaston Desmuller due.
H.K. Horticultural Society, Annual Mtg. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 5.15 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Bridge class, 10 a.m.
Middlesex Regt. Inter-Company (Novices) Boxing Meet, 7.30 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club, 11th Mtg., 1 p.m.
Anti-Aircraft Practice by 3rd Battery, H.K.V.D.C. at Aberdeen Island, 11 a.m.
Cheero Club, Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.
20—Tides: High 2.11 a.m. and 5.15 p.m. Low 9.57 a.m. and 11.48 p.m.
Sunrise: 6.57 a.m.; Sunset: 5.42 p.m.
H.K.R.A. Rifle Shoot, 1.45 p.m.
Peak School Prize Day, 5.15 p.m.
Second and Third Rounds of Ladies Tennis Championships due to be completed.
Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 5 p.m.
Middlesex Regt. Inter-Company (Novices) Boxing Meet, 7.30 p.m.
Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute, Invitation Christmas Gala Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Christmas Concert, St. Andrew's, 8.30 p.m.
Lawn Bowls: H.E.'s Team vs. Talkoo Club, Govt. House, 3.15 p.m.
Cheero Club, Dance, 8.30 p.m.
21—Launching at Kowloon Docks, 5 p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Carnival Dance, 9 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 9 p.m.
Schools' Physical Training Competition, K.F.C., 9 a.m.
Y.M.C.A. Games morning, 10 a.m.
Kowloon Tong Garden City Assn. Draw for debentures, 8 p.m.
S. and S. Home: Servicemen's Xmas Party, 7.30 p.m.
Cheero Club: Contract Bridge Lessons, 8 p.m.
22—Sino-British Cultural Assn. Mtg. Speaker: Mr. J. E. Witham "China's Tea Trade".
China Light and Power Co. Ltd. Annual Mtg. 12 noon.
Claims against enemy firms (Vineet Singer and Wilhelm Maier and Co.)
Schools' Physical Training Competition, H.K.F.C., 9 a.m.; Final at 11.30 a.m.
Cheero Club Christmas Dinner, 7.30 p.m.
Children's Fancy Dress Party, Peninsula Hotel, 4 p.m.—6.30 p.m.
H.K. University Congregation, Great Hall, 5.30 p.m.
St. Andrew's Wolf Cubs' Christmas Party, 5 p.m.
23—Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 3 p.m.
H.E. and Lady Northcote leave, for Penning Lodge.
24—Christmas Eve.
St. Andrew's Church: Carol Service, 6.15 p.m.
25—Christmas Day.
St. Andrew's Church: Festival Service, 11 a.m.
International Soccer.
26—Boxing Day.
R.E.O.C.A. "Fancy Dress" Dance, Peninsula Hotel.
Panling Hunt and Race Club Meeting at Kwantli.
Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 3 p.m. and 9 p.m.
H.K.C.S.C.—Prize-Giving & Children's Sports, 4 p.m.
27—China Light & Power Recreation Club Dance, 9 p.m.
30—Claims against estate of Leung Chan Tak Yan due.
31—New Year's Eve.
St. Andrew's Church: Old Year's Day Services.
Football Shield, First Round.
Y.M.C.A. Pantomime, 9 p.m.
Theatrical Society: Speaker—Mr. Percy Chen "The Rebirth of Nations."

NEWSETTES

Mr. Katsuo Okazaki, Consul-General for Japan at Hongkong resumed charge of the Consulate-General for Japan on December 8.

Lord Roberts Brown has been re-assigned from the Combatant Group to the Key-Posts Group in the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

The number of emigrants leaving the Colony for the Straits Settlements during November, 1939, was 2354.

The full text of the Order of His Majesty in Council framing reprisals for restricting further the commerce of Germany is published in the Government Gazette.

His Excellency the Governor has approved that Lieut. Frederick White Thomson Ross be allowed to resign his commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from Dec. 5, 1939.

H.E. the Governor, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been pleased to recognise Mr. Duco Gerrit Eduard Middelburg as Acting Consul-General of the Netherlands at Hongkong.

The following additions are made to the Chinese banks registered as permitted to sell Chinese currency and to remit money money to China:—The Industrial Bank of China; The National Commercial & Savings Bank, Ltd.; and The Wing On Bank, Ltd.

Plans have been completed by a group of Chinese overseas to publish a Far Eastern Daily, a vernacular, at Cholon, a town 4 miles from Saigon and seat of most of the Chinese trade in French Cochinchina. This will be the first Chinese paper ever published in Cholon, where there is a large Chinese population.

An Air Ministry notice to aircraft owners and ground engineers dealing with the prohibition of transaction in respect of aircraft and parts of aircraft is published in the Government Gazette.

The Hon. Mr. Henry Robert Butters has been appointed a member of the Council of the University of Hongkong vice Mr. Sydney Cairne for a period of three years, with effect from Dec. 6, 1939.

His Excellency the Governor has given permission for fireworks not being unlawful fireworks, to be kindled, discharged or let off in a lawful manner within the Colony, between 11.45 p.m. on December 31, 1939, and 12.15 a.m. on January 1, 1940.

His Majesty the King has approved the award of the Colonial Police Medal for conspicuous gallantry—Chief Inspector Frederick Edward Evelyn Booker, of the Hongkong Police Force, and Superintendent Jack Cooper Fitz-Henry, of the Hongkong Fire Brigade.

Enthusiastic support is displayed by the overseas Chinese in Cuba for the winter garment campaign initiated by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, China's First Lady. Contributions amounting to \$93,000 have so far been remitted to Madame Chiang.

Mr. Cheng Lo-sheng, member of the control Yuan, passed away at Ipoh at the age of 53. The late Mr. Cheng was a native of Tungan, Fukien. He was a close follower of the late Kuomintang leader Dr. Sun Yat-sen and had been sent by Dr. Sun several times to the South Seas to raise funds from among the overseas Chinese for the Chinese Revolution. Mr. Yu Yu-jen, President of the Control Yuan, has sent a message of condolence to his family.

NEW ROADS NAMED

The following names for new roads are announced in the Government Gazette:—
Homestead Road—From Mount Kellett at the north-west corner of Homestead Flats along the west side of Mount Kellett terminating at Mount Kellett Rd. at the south-west corner of the War Memorial Hospital.
Tsat Tse Mui Road—Commencing at Shu Kuk Street, south of inland lot 2919, running south of and parallel to King's Road and terminating at King's Road, north of Q.B.L.L. 4.
Tin Chiu Street—Commencing at south-west corner of inland lot 5378, running in a northerly direction and terminating at the sea front.

FILM OF BATTLE BETWEEN PLANES AND WARSHIPS

LONDON, Dec. 16 (Reuter)—For the first time in the history of the films, an actual battle between aeroplanes and battleships was shown in a London cinema yesterday.

The films were taken by a British officer on board an escort destroyer in the North Sea.
One can see the anti-aircraft guns on a cruiser in action against Nazi aeroplanes, from which bombs can be seen dropping.
One bomb falls so close to the cruiser that the warship is completely obscured by flying spray.

MONDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Grapefruit
Cereal
Apple-Pancakes
Bacon
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Cream of Celery Soup
Pork Cutlets
Fruit Salad
Hashed Brown Potatoes
Baked Tomatoes
String Beans
Popovers
French Pancakes
Tea

DINNER

Shrimp Cocktail
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Baked Ham
Candied Sweet Potatoes
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Green Peas
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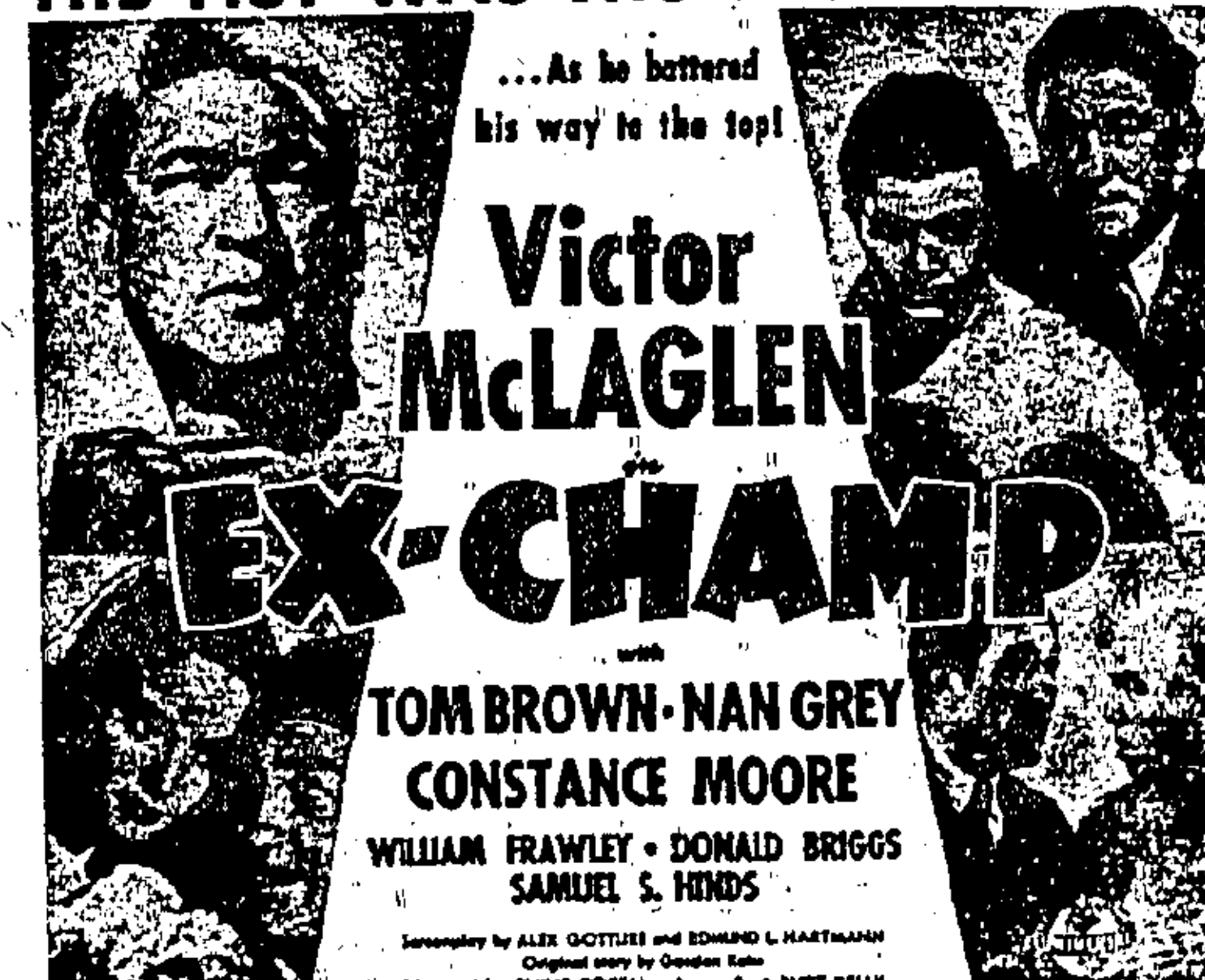
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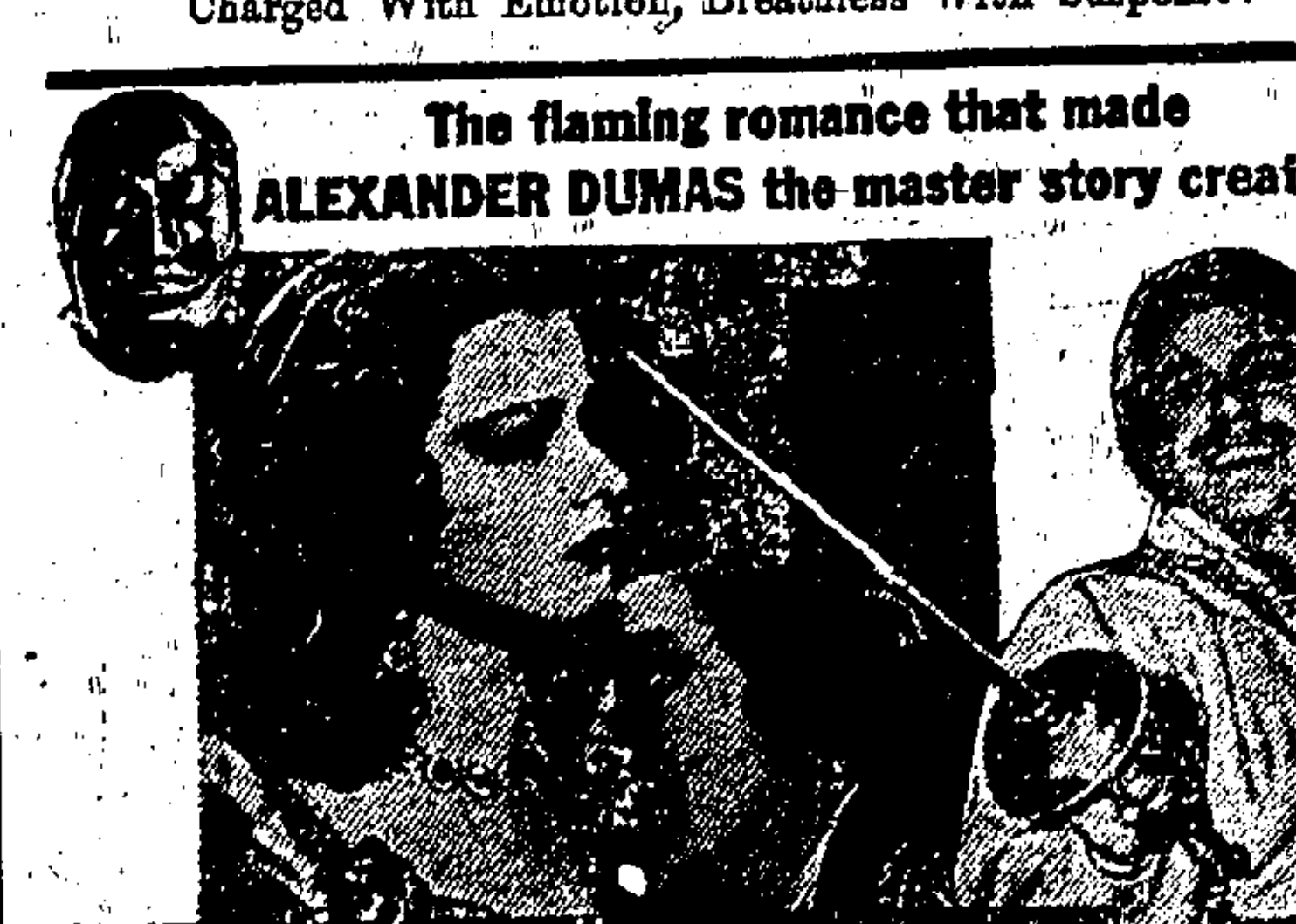
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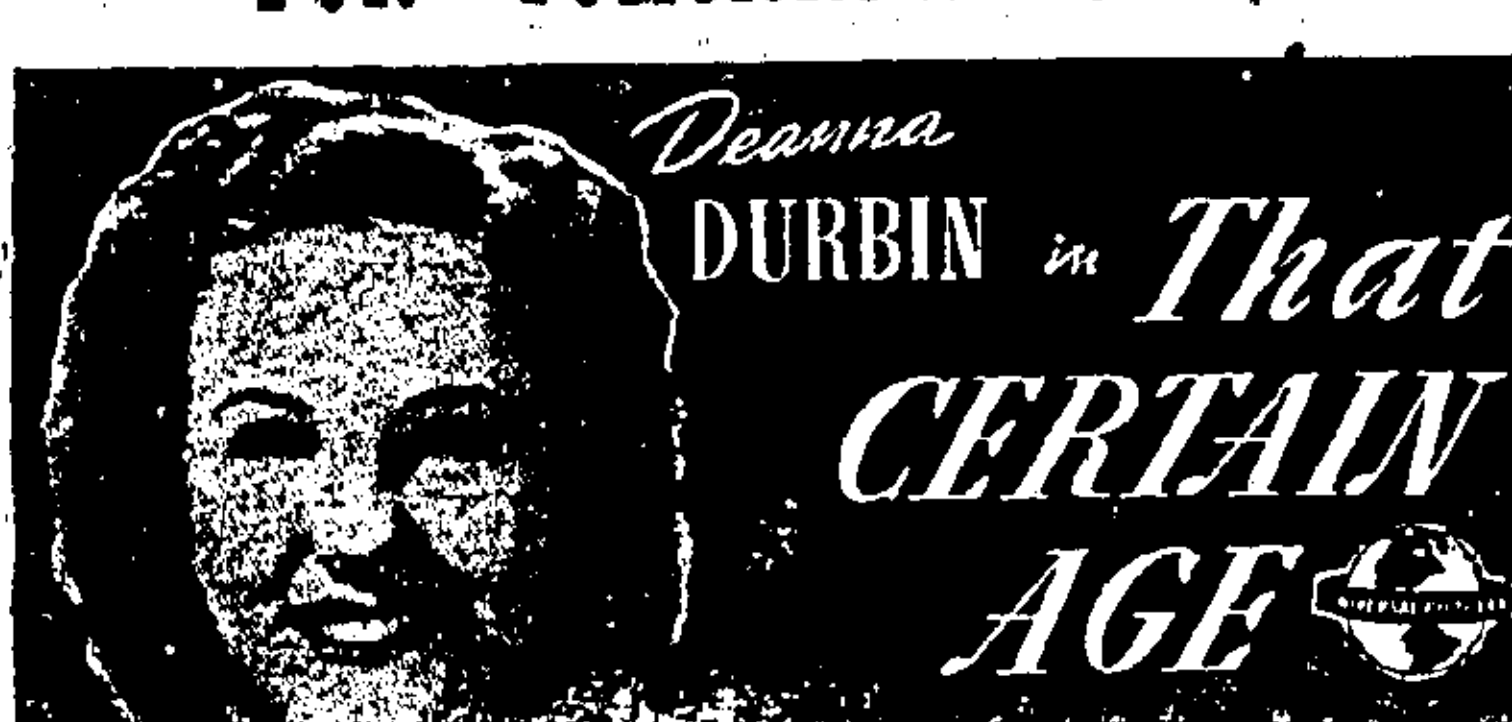


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AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:

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Tuesday: Bangkok, Hanol, Hongkong.

Delphinus—4 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND

Wednesday: Hanol, Bangkok.

Denebola—7 a.m.

Air France

NORTHBOUND

Wednesday: France, Hanol, Hongkong.

Service—4 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND

Thursday: Hanol, France.

Service—6 a.m.

Pan American Airways.

EASTBOUND

Monday: U. S. A., Manila, Hongkong.

China Clipper—2 p.m.

WESTBOUND

Tuesday: Manila, U.S.A.

China Clipper—8.30 a.m.

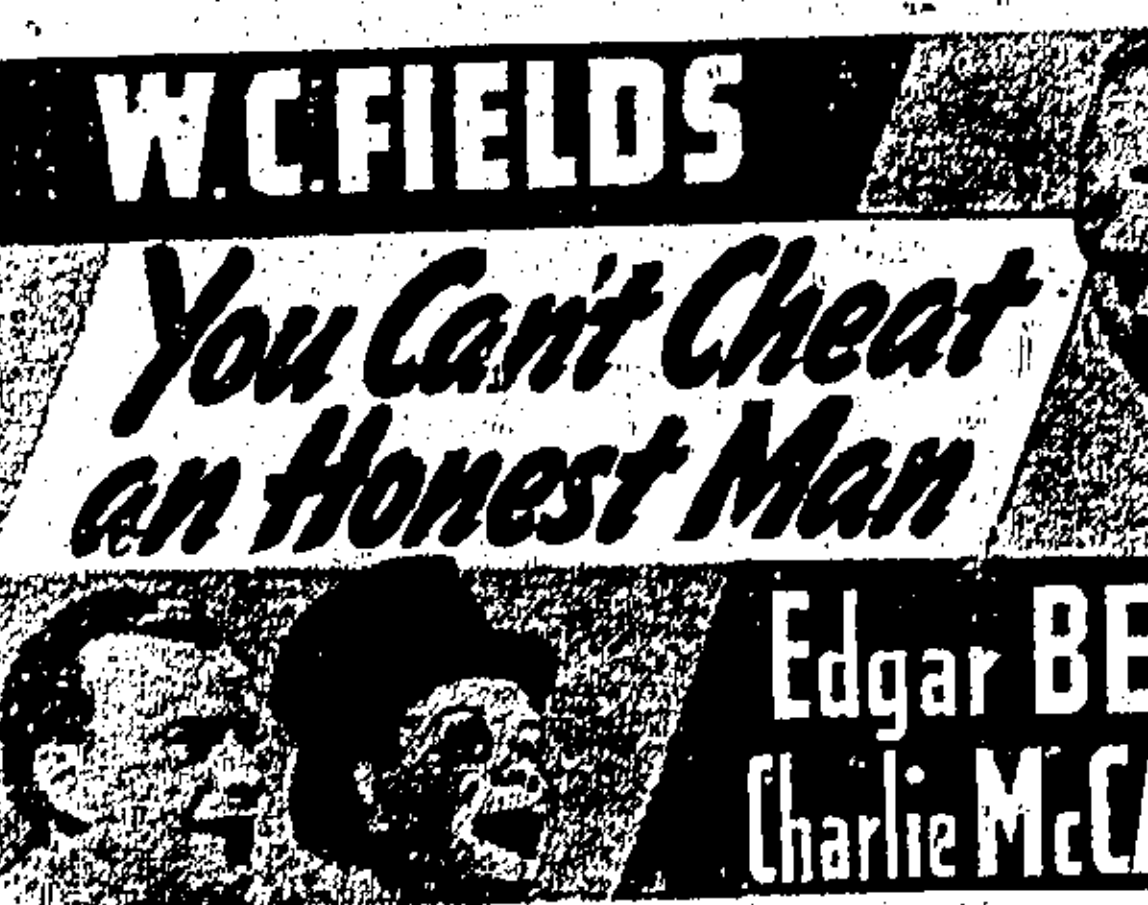
Note: The inward service of Imperial Airways from Bangkok due in Hongkong Sunday afternoon has been delayed forty-eight hours by the main Empire route connection.

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DAILY AT 2.30 5.20 7.20 9.20

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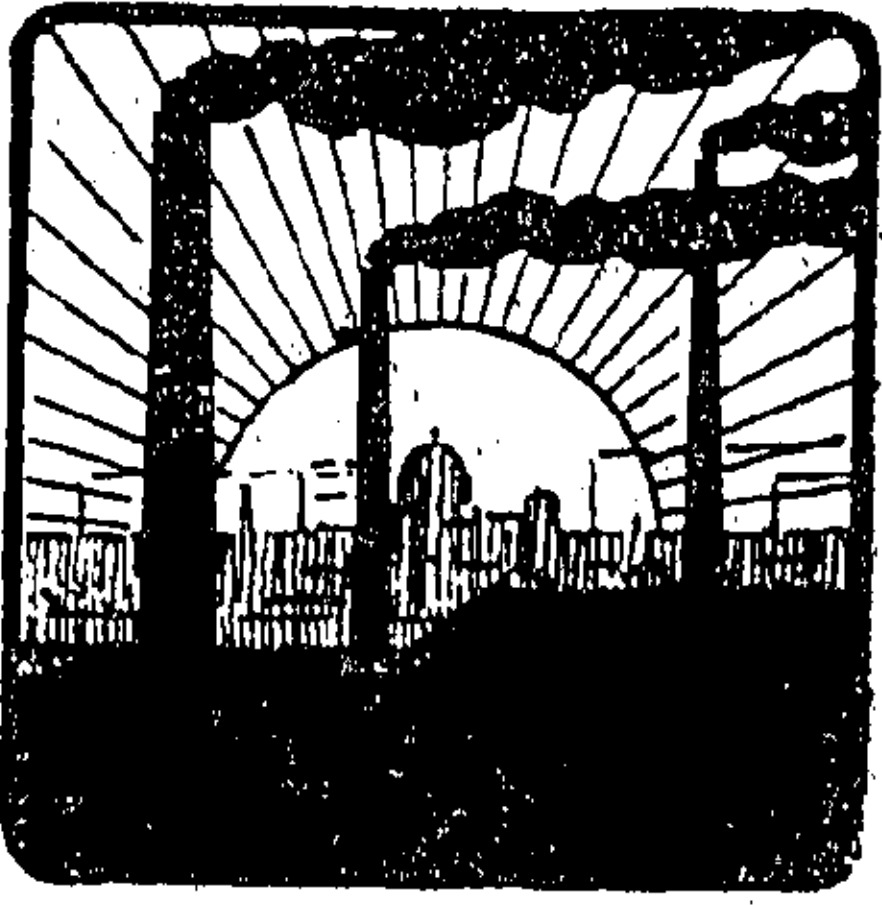
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"Decisive Victory For Britain": U.S. Press On Graf Spee Battle

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 (Reuter)—"A decisive victory for Britain," and "Weakness of the pocket-battleship revealed," sums up the verdict of the United States press on the South Atlantic naval battle.

David Boone, columnist of the New York Sun, says the Graf Spee is now what might be called a patch-pocket battleship. It looks as if she is out of the line-up permanently but Hitler is making a strong effort to talk her back into the war.

The Nazis raise the usual cry that she was fooled. The Graf Spee had hardly cooled off before Berlin was claiming that mustard gas was used.

MOST DRAMATIC

The New York Post says the running battle was the most dramatic encounter of the war.

The New York Sun in an editorial says Germany's new tactics have been worsened by the British variant of General Forrester's celebrated old rule.

"Britain got there fastest with the most ships."

IDEAS EXPLODED

The Detroit Free Press declares that two ideas have been exploded. One that the British Fleet contained only three or four vessels capable of running down and coping with the Graf Spee type, and the other that vessels with 6-inch or 8-inch guns would be helpless in combat with line ships.

The newspaper adds that the elimination of one-third of the strongest surface arm of the German navy can only be regarded as a decisive victory.

Neither the German claim to a victory nor the allegation that the British cruisers fired gas shells can be accepted.

BRITISH SEAMANSHIP

The British seamanship against superior gun-power is praised by the New York Times.

The journal says: "The German Government lost another battle when it lied about the Graf Spee."

"The discount rate on official statements from Berlin has always been high. A few more, breaks like this and it will be close on 100 per cent."

MAJOR VICTORY

The New York Times says that by forcing the Graf von Spee into port the British can count a major victory. The paper pays tribute "to those qualities for which the Silent Service has long been famous—skillful seamanship and dogged courage."

The New York Herald Tribune says that the German pocket-battleship, though of ingenious construction, is plainly not the final answer to everything.

R.A.F. Attack On German Naval Units

CLASH DESCRIBED AS A RUNNING FIGHT

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Reuter)—The Air Ministry has issued further details of the R.A.F. attack on a German battleship, several destroyers and a submarine.

One of the pilots engaged brought home with him a diary, in which the clash is described as a running fight.

THREE TO ONE

No sooner had the bombers swooped to the attack on the surface craft when they were engaged by a least two squadrons of Messerschmidt fighters. They themselves were twelve in number, and the Nazis attacked with between two and three to one.

Five of the Messerschmidts, it is now established, were shot down. Three R.A.F. planes failed to return.

GERMAN CLAIMS

BERLIN, Dec. 18 (Reuter)—The German claims in the North Sea dog-fight had risen to a round dozen by late last night. They started off with six and worked their way up by two's to this figure.

Nazi Planes Burned Like Beacons

FURTHER DETAILS OF BATTLE OVER HELIGOLAND

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Reuter)—In Thursday's air battle over Heligoland between R.A.F. bombers and German fighters, the leader of the British squadron noted four Nazi planes crashing into the sea in flames.

DIVIDED VERTICALLY

"It was getting dark," he writes, "and they burned for some time, for all the world like four enormous beacons."

One of the five Nazi planes brought down divided vertically into the sea, after being hit by the guns of several of our planes.

The squadron leader concludes briefly that the fight strengthened rather than shook the morale of his men.

All the British planes were bombers.

THE CREWS

Among their crews were three Canadians. One of them was a former member of the Mounted Police, while another was an insurance broker in civil life.

"South Africa" had two representatives, New Zealand four and Australia one, an ex-draughtsman who was at the controls of one of the bombers.

PREMIER AT THE FRONT

LUNCHES WITH BRITISH C.-IN-C.

PARIS, Dec. 18 (Reuter)—Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Premier, after spending the night at Viscount Gort's chateau, this morning visited the front lines where he saw the improvements which had been made since the King's visit.

FLOWN OVER

LONDON, Dec. 18 (Reuter)—Mr. Chamberlain flew over to France, with an escort of Royal Air Force fighters. He had lunch with Lord Gort, the British Commander-in-Chief, and the Duke of Gloucester.

SINO-BRITISH CULTURAL ASSN.

Social Gathering In Chungking

CHUNGKING, Dec. 15. (Int'l)—The Sino-British Cultural Association held a social gathering yesterday afternoon in the International Club in honour of Mr. R. H. Scott, Far Eastern representative of the Ministry of Information, who gave a talk of British publicity in war time and his impressions of North China and Japan as judged from his recent tour.

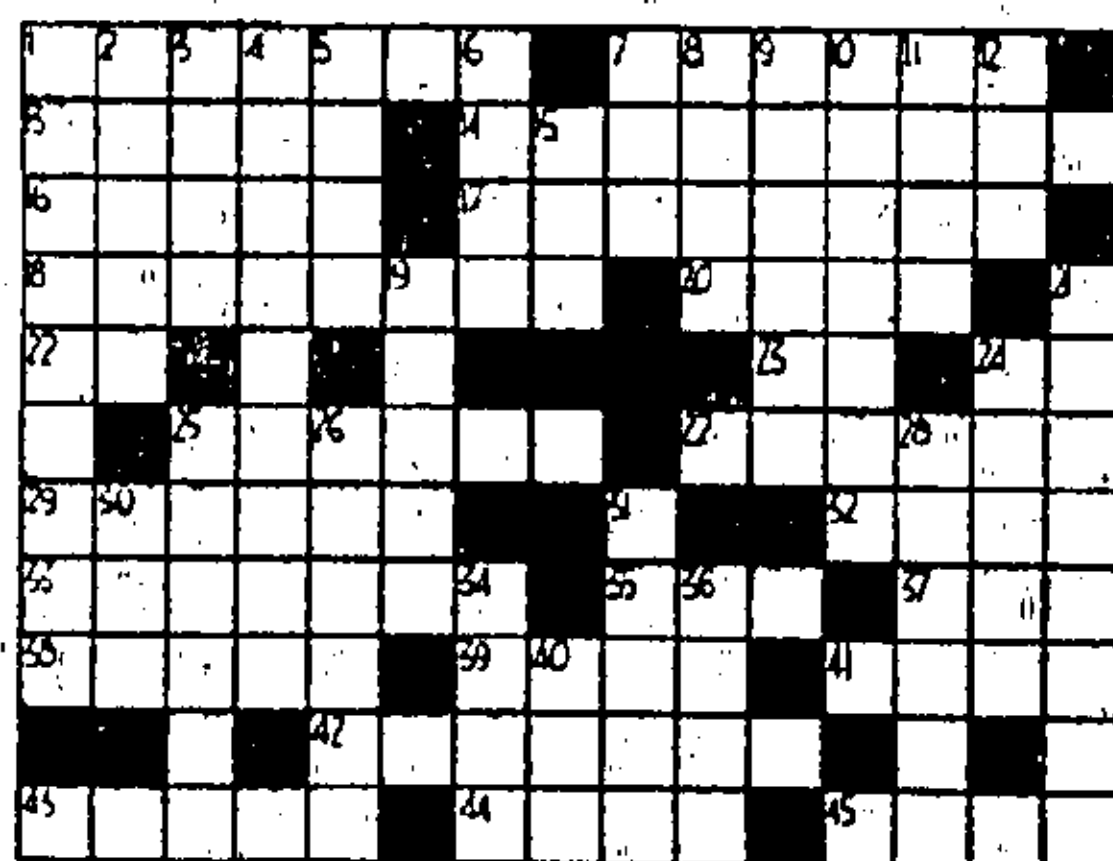
Many high Chinese officials and British returned students were present in this gathering.

AIR FLIGHTS OVER INDIA

NEW DELHI, Dec. 16 (Reuter)—Only aircraft operating on regular routes will be allowed to fly to, or over, India in the future.

No other civil aircraft may fly to India without special permission from the Indian Director of Civil Aviation.

CROSSWORD NO. 489



CLUES ACROSS

- A sign and a portent appears in a short time
- Waylays
- An old saying which will apparently put years on you
- Is carried out in theatre and gives in to opera
- Little streams which end in misfortunes
- Tin gleam (anagram)
- A change
- Lively
- Looking back one sees mother
- In short it's only half anonymous
- The other half
- Such men are more than mere politicians
- Makes law
- An outstanding building feature is to aim high
- Better than never
- Dean feels at home here
- An old measure of length
- Not half perhaps
- Gobbled up perhaps, but not quite beaten
- Would contralto really be cut up to sing this?
- Cheeky
- In which one's behind schedule
- Life's not all these, for the artist's model
- Lead into valley
- In employment, but only partly roused

CLUES DOWN

- A preserve which may be real, madam
- Dislike or unpleasantness it's metal beheaded
- From this you get stout, for example
- By another name this flowed should appeal to pipe smokers
- The egg for rainy days?
- Whist, it sounds like music!
- Fleed earnestly
- Historical periods seen in camera studies
- Look in this eastern boat for an M.P.
- Goes on for ever
- The end of mutiny is no great matter
- A snaker
- Now one is a standard of cleanness
- Bury
- Rested a bit mixed up follows on
- A cad beheaded is lively enough in the river
- Floofs
- Natural ones are used for tattoos
- These antics may be cut by the animal in them
- Tar is used to
- Favourite leads off in mixed plate
- A stick for a ruler, or a cart going backwards
- Learning
- A field in leaf

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First Daylight A.R.P. Exercise In Kowloon

H.E. The Governor Watches Units In Action

The Air Raid Precautions Services were given a thorough test yesterday morning, when Yaumati district was "bombed" in the first large-scale daylight exercise staged by the A.R.P. Department.

Units were summoned to four different locations in the space of an hour to deal with "damage" done by high explosives, incendiary bombs, phosgene and mustard gas.

All units participating gave a good account of themselves, though their work was at times somewhat hampered by the large crowd gathered to watch.

A.R.P. AT WORK

This was the first occasion on which the district was afforded an opportunity of a daylight view of the A.R.P. at work, and the deep red of the A.R.P. vans, the neat blue of the uniforms, and the yellow-grey of the gas-fighters' protective covering attracted much comment.

Normal traffic was permitted as far as possible, and the efficient manner in which police units kept control of both the crowd and the traffic deserves mention.

His Excellency the Governor attended the exercises, and was accompanied on his tour of inspection by the Director of A.R.P., Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins. The General Officer Commanding, Hongkong Area, Major-General A. E. Grasett, was present and also Commodore A. M. Peters.

CO-ORDINATION

The purpose of the exercise was principally to test co-ordination between the various A.R.P. services, the preparedness of the Air Raid Wardens, the working of a Warden's sector, the accuracy of A.R.P. Damage Reports submitted by the Wardens, the efficiency of the communications system, and the speed with which the different units could get into action.

Two umpires were assigned to the scene of each "explosion," and two more to the re-

port centre. Boy scouts were entrusted with the messenger service, and one was assigned to each umpire.

Another service assigned the boy scouts, and one that did call for a certain amount of heroism when such disconcerting factors as the broad daylight, the size of the crowd and their proneness to humour was considered, was that of being the "casualties."

FIRST EXERCISE

Dundas Street was the scene of the first exercise. Here the Blue-land raiding aircraft had "dropped" both high explosive and phosgene gas bombs, and there were five casualties. A large "fire" had started, and a First Aid party, an ambulance and the Fire Brigade were soon on the scene.

One of the "casualties" was supposed to be total, but the other four, three suffering from phosgene gas poisoning and the other from an abdominal wound, were given first aid treatment and removed to "hospital."

HOUSES ON "FIRE"

An incendiary high explosive bomb, "dropped" on a shack in Jubilee Park, the vacant ground bounded by Canton Road and Jordan Road, set fire to two "houses." One was completely "demolished," but the Fire Brigade was soon at work on the other, inside which several persons were "trapped."

The First Aid and Rescue parties were soon on the scene, the former tending to four "casualties," one man with a head wound, another with a leg blown off, and two others suffering from burns.

The third report to come in to the report centre was from Public Square Street, where a mustard gas bomb "dropped" on the pavement outside Yaumati School required the immediate attention of a decontamination squad.

An ambulance and a first aid party were sorely needed too, there being two "casualties," both suffering from contamination by liquid mustard gas.

LAST "BOMB"

The raiders' fourth and last "bomb," an incendiary one, claimed no casualties. A large building was on "fire" when the Brigade arrived. The house was badly "damaged" by the explosion and in a "dangerous" condition. A demolition party went immediately to work.

DAYLIGHT SAVING QUESTION

H.K. COMMITTEE APPOINTED

His Excellency the Governor has appointed the following to be members of a Committee to consider further the question of daylight saving:

Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters (Chairman), Mr. D. Kelvin-Stark, the Director of the Royal Observatory, Mr. T. N. Chau, C.B.E., Mr. M. F. Key, O.B.E., Mr. J. Finlay and Mr. R. A. Camidge.

TERMS OF REFERENCE.

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(1) the conservation of sterling exchange is very necessary to the successful prosecution of the war with Germany;

(2) the coal used in the generation of the Colony's electric light supply is largely purchased from countries outside the sterling group;

(3) the majority of the shops and many of the factories in Hongkong are open to a late hour of night;

to examine and report on the advisability of—

(a) adopting an official time for the Colony one hour, or part of one hour, in advance of the time of the 120th meridian East of Greenwich for the whole or for part of the year, and

(b) limiting by statute the number of hours per diem during which workers in shops and factories may be employed.

BOYS COMMENDED FOR ARRESTING SNATCHER

Two young European boys, Derek Witton, 12, and Fred Stanford, 10, were commended by Mr. R.A.D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy on Saturday for effecting the arrest of a snatcher.

Accused, Tsui, Chi, 28, unemployed, snatched a woollen shawl from a Chinese woman near Murray Path. The two boys, who were near, gave chase and arrested him.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed.

FREEDLANDER'S EXHIBITION

A collection of oil paintings by Erne Freedlander were on display over the week-end in the Hall of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

A steady procession of admirers and art students entered the Hall throughout the afternoons particularly yesterday.

The exhibition was under the auspices of the Hongkong Working Artists' Guild.

First Christmas Party Of Season For Children

The first children's Christmas party of the season was held on Saturday afternoon when over 70 children of the members of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club assembled for an enjoyable time at the Kowloon Tong School, 27 Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong. The function was arranged by a ladies' committee comprising Mesdames Peter S. Wong, Yimson Lee, C. P. Wong, Li Shu-pui, James T. Choy, Peter H. Sin, Kenneth W. Chaun, James Choa, Richard Shim, Y. O. Lee and others.

A programme of entertainment, the song; vocal numbers by Miss Sin Yee-ha and sister, and the themselves with the following numbers:—Wong Chan-wa at the piano and Chan Kwok-on on harmonica in an accompaniment to a patriotic song; vocal numbers by Miss Sin Yee-ha and sister, and the themselves with the following numbers:—Wong Chan-wa at the piano and Chan Kwok-on on harmonica in an accompaniment to a patriotic song; vocal numbers by Miss Sin Yee-ha and sister, and the themselves with the following numbers:—Wong Chan-wa at the piano and Chan Kwok-on on harmonica in an accompaniment to a patriotic song.

CHRISTMAS CAROL RECITAL

A recital of Christmas carols will be given at St. Paul's Church, Glenageary, at 7.30 p.m. tonight, under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A.

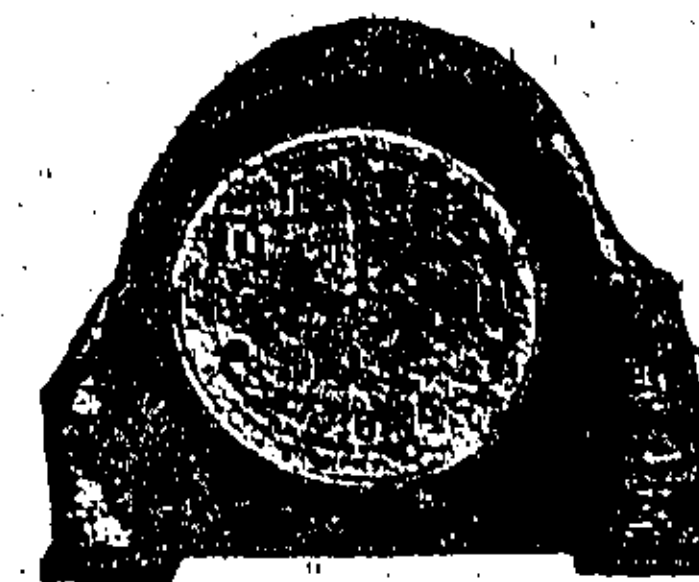
Dr. Yung Kai-tung will conduct, and those taking part are the Choirs of Basel Mission Church, Hop Yat Church, Christ Church, True Light Girls' School, Baptist Church, St. Paul's Church, St. Stephen's Church, Chinese Choral Society, Chiu-chow, Christian Association, St. Mary's Church, St. Paul's Girls' College, Holy Trinity Church, Church of Christ, Methodist Church, Wanchai Church, and Sun Oi Church.

A memorial service for Lieut. Commander R.C.M. White and the Officers and Men of H.M.S. Duchess will be held at St. John's Cathedral tomorrow at 11 a.m.

The children had brought toys costing between 80 cents and \$1 which were all tagged with numbers and pooled, and drawn for. A fair exchange of gifts resulted, causing much excitement and amusement among the youngsters as well as the grown-ups. The delightful function was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the principal and staff of the Kowloon Tong School for allowing the Club the use of their premises for the occasion.

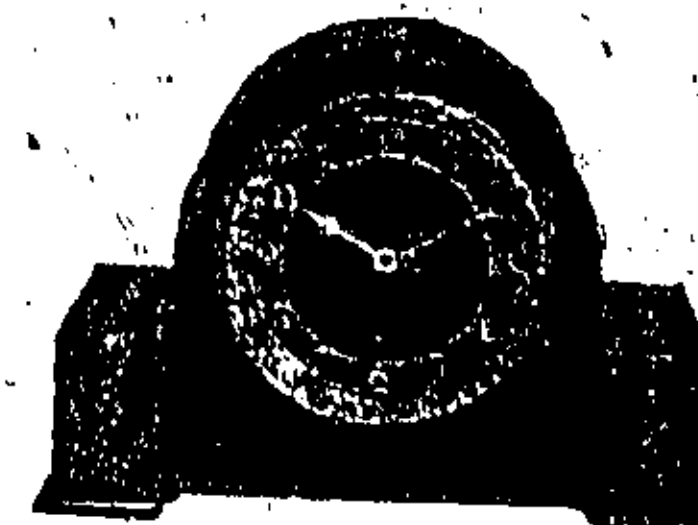
The speaker at Thursday's luncheon meeting of the Club at St. Francis Hotel will be Mr. S. C. Leung, general secretary of the National Committee of the Y.M.C.A.'s of China, who recently came to Hongkong from Chungking. His subject is "Recent developments in China."

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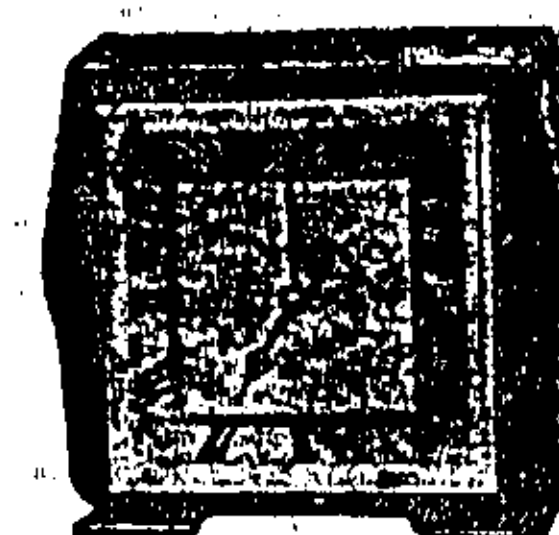
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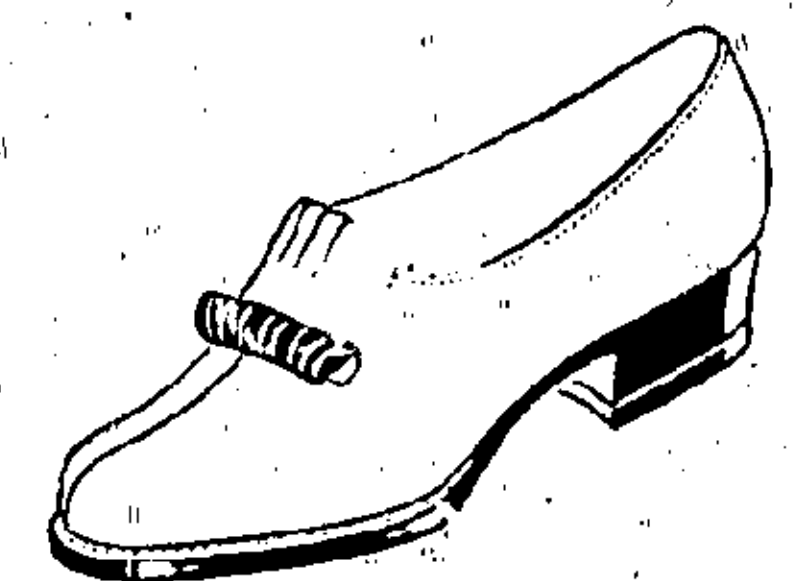
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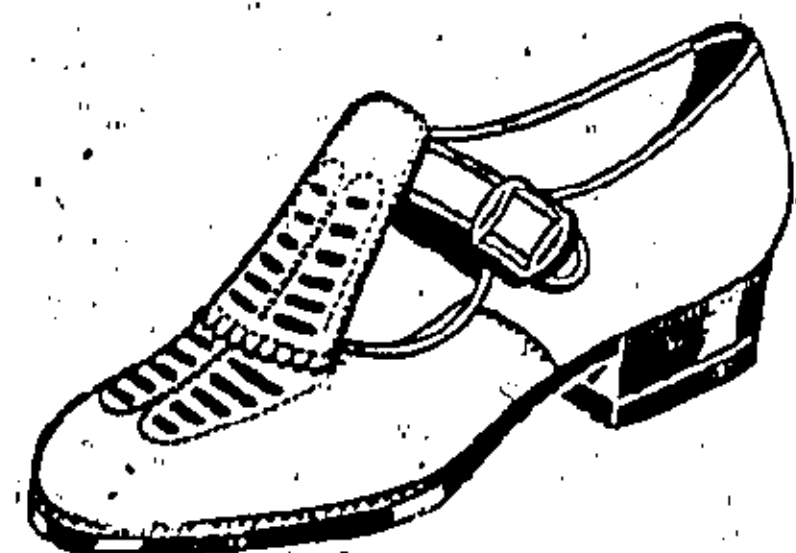


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NOTICE

A Memorial Service in commemoration of Lieut. Commander R. C. M. White and the Officers and Men of H.M.S. Duchess will be held in St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday, December 19th.

11-11.30 a.m.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that A. LYENA LAHOVETSKY, L.T.C.L., of 233 Nathan Road, Kowloon, is applying to the Governor for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary, Hong Kong.

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MARKET STALL TENANCY

At the Urban Council meeting to be held tomorrow, the Chairman will move the following further amendment to the Market by-laws:—

"In the event of a stall holder, or a relative holding in his stead, remaining in possession of a market stall, whether that originally let or one substituted therefor, for a period of five years from the date of the first letting, the Council shall have power to vary the rental of such stall without calling the tenancy and calling for sealed tenders for further letting."

OTHER BUSINESS

Other Business will be:—
Correspondence relative to the proposed policy for the registration of food preserving establishments.

Correspondence relative to the proposed erection of a small flush water closet for the use of women and children in the Kowloon King George V Memorial Field.

Application for a milk shop licence for No. 102, Thomson Road, ground floor.

Application for a goat licence for the premises on K.M.L. No. 52, Bailey's Shipyard.

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BATTLE OF THE PLATE

THE GERMAN NAVAL HIGH COMMAND must have had a very unpleasant few days as a result of the battle off the mouth of the River Plate. One of its best vessels, a pocket battleship intended to sweep light cruisers from the seas, has been seriously mauled by these very same light cruisers. Despite her heavier armour and superior firepower the Graf von Spee was out-fought by the audacious British ships and forced to seek refuge in a neutral port. According to American observers, her armour-plate was holed and she suffered enough damage to cure her of any enthusiasm for another engagement. This, in waters dominated by a hostile fleet and at a point thousands of miles from the nearest home port, appears to mark the end of the warship's career.

THE EPISODE has added to the laurels of the British Navy, given valuable information concerning the real power of the "pocket battleship" and, it seems, marked the beginning of an active drive to remove the German flag from the seas. That it has demonstrated the complete vulnerability of the "pocket" vessels to the ordinary light cruiser is, however, a claim made only by the rash. It is not every day that the enemy can be caught in shallow water. The experience of the encounter appears to emphasize, and other than minimise, the magnitude of the problems faced.

BEFORE THE BATTLE of the Plate, the Graf von Spee had time to demonstrate, as the Emden had demonstrated before her, the terrible effectiveness of even a single unchecked raider. It is known that eleven British merchant ships fell to her guns. Had it not been for the lucky chance which enable the Exeter, Achilles and Ajax to corner her close to the Uruguayan coast, the toll would by now have been far greater.

APART FROM THE BRILLIANT CONDUCT of the engagement, however, the episode must give a shock to complacency. How did the Graf von Spee, and according to other reports, the Admiral Scheer and Deutschland as well, elude the blockading fleet and emerge unmarked into the Atlantic? How many heavily armed surface raiders are ranging the seas? While the Admiralty will rightly claim credit for having achieved the incapacitation of a unit representing one third of the entire battleship strength of the German navy, these questions still require an answer.

THE CALCULATION of the German naval command in sending out its heaviest vessels to prey on commerce was presumably based on the assumption that, with the greater part of the British navy required to do convoy duty, sufficient forces would be lacking to organize a chase that would end in the destruction of the raiders. Also, Berlin seems to have believed that its ships would be able to return to their home ports as easily as they slipped out of them, relying for this on the effectiveness of its extensive minefields as a counterweight to the blockade. The safe return of the Bremen to Germany obviously encouraged it in this belief.

THE REPORT that such dreadnaughts as the Renown

CHINA DEFEAT IRELAND IN FAST SOCCER MATCH

Perfect Understanding Of Losers' Forward Line

IN A CLEAN FAST GAME OF REALLY EXCITING SOCCER, China (holders) easily defeated Ireland by four goals to two in the Sunday Herald International Charity Cup first round at Caroline Hill yesterday, after leading two-one in the first half. Ireland scored the equaliser through a penalty half-way through the second-half and excitement ran to fever pitch during the last 15 minutes of play when both sides were striving their hardest to assume the lead.

Ten minutes from the end China was leading by the odd goal in five and the last three minutes saw Lee Wai-tong shoot the sixth and last to put his team on a safe lead.

The Irish forward line was very good and played with perfect understanding. Brokenbury, P. Jorge and A. Leonard being specially prominent. For the Chinese Cheuk Shek-kam, Ip Pak-wah and Yeung Shui-yik were conspicuous in the forward line.

The Irish backs were somewhat slow and therefore unable at times to stem the speed of the Chinese attack while the Chinese backs had comparatively little to do with their forwards almost always on the offensive.

THE PLAY

Play opened with Ireland pressing. The Chinese soon assumed the offensive, but play was soon forced back to the other end of

the field when a centre from Jorge saw Lau Chi-chan deflect the ball into his own goal when trying to take it off his chest. This gave Ireland an early lead.

The Chinese continued to press and in a melee they were awarded a penalty which Lee Wai-tong took. He failed to score, however. The ball went clean over the bar. In the course of play Lee again made an unsuccessful scoring attempt. Eventually he tossed a pass from the left to the right winger Cheuk Shek-kam who scored the equaliser.

Cheuk, soon after, availed himself of another pass to put the Chinese one up and the half time whistle went with China leading two-one.

SECOND HALF

Ireland again opened play with a desperate but ineffective assault on the Chinese goal and up and down field play ensued for quite a while when a penalty was awarded to Ireland. Sheehan took the kick and equalised.

Excitement ran high as both sides pressed in succession, the Chinese however, dominated play and kept the ball in the Irish half for long periods.

A pass from Yeung Shui-yik eventually saw Ip Pak-wah put China in the lead and play continued at a furious rate with many goals being saved and many being shot wide until Lee Wai-tong scored the fourth and last for China.

The teams:—
IRELAND—Moore; Hill, Sheehan; Smart, D. Leonard, Honniball; Brokenbury, P. Jorge, O'Regan, Martin and A. Leonard.
CHINA—Tam Kwan-kon; Chang Chung-wan, Mak Shui-hon; Lau Chi-chan, Hsu King-sing, Tse Kam-hung; Yeung Shui-yik, Cheng Kam-hoi, Lee Wai-tong, Cheuk Shek-kam and Ip Pak-wah.

3RD CRUISER YACHTING CHAMPIONSHIP

The 3rd Cruiser Championship was held yesterday over a 25 miles course and results in wins for Cutty (Mr. H. Foy) in the "W" Class and Norena (Mr. P. G. N. Sedgwick) in the "E" Class.

Detailed results follow:

W CLASS STARTED 0950 HRS.

Yacht	Captain	Time	Points
Cutty	Mr. H. Foy	184054	10 11 21
Typhoon	Mr. D. Campbell	191139	8 7 15
Curlew	Mr. P. Clarke	191229	6 7 13
Sail Long	Mr. A. M. Mark	192346	4 21 25
Mistral	Mr. J. Dewar	192346	1 17 18

E CLASS STARTED 1000 HRS.

Yacht	Captain	Time	Points
Norena	Mr. P. G. N. Sedgwick	164315	21 39 50
Sa Cigale	Mr. N. Croucher	170229	19 33 52
Rover	Capt. R. Bateman	174942	17 31 4
Highway	Capt. J. Macrae	190712	15 23 38
Donna	Mr. E. Cock	171918	14 8 26
Oresund	Mr. K. Neckelman	172100	13 12 25
Doinda	Mr. J. Dewar	181332	12 29 41
Tai Wan	Mr. J. Dobbs	192211	11 41 52
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The Hongkong Yacht Club's 5th Corinthian Series over 7.5 miles resulted on Saturday as follows:—
"A" CLASS STARTED AT 1440

Yacht	Captain	Time	Points
Redshank	Mr. W. A. Ingram	172542	1 16 4
Painted Lady	Mr. D. Dean-Smith	173008	2 14 2
Jan	Capt. J. Krogh-Moe	173136	3 12 1

MIXED CLASSES STARTED AT 1450

Yacht	Captain	Time	Points
Alla	Mr. W. A. Ingram	171524	1 11 4
Siskin	Mr. D. Allen	173000	2 9 2
Widgeon	Mr. McCabe	173221	3 7 1

are lying in wait for the Graf von Spee and other German ships that may come to her aid indicates a determined effort to eliminate the menace of a German surface fleet in the South Atlantic. It shows that the Admiralty, at any rate, will not, despite the brilliant exploit of the Exeter, Ajax and Achilles, put its trust in light cruisers when such big fish are to be caught.

Home Rugby

LEAGUE & UNION RESULTS

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter).—The following matches in Rugby League and Rugby Union were played yesterday:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Lancashire League
Barrow 18, Wigan 14.
Broughton 0, Oldham 18.
Leigh v. Rochdale (postponed).
Liverpool 0, Swinton 20.
Salford 17, Widnes 8.
Warrington 8, St. Helens 6.

Yorkshire League

Bradford 23, Hunslet 14.
Bramley 8, Featherstone 10.
Castleford 20, Batley 10.
Dewsbury 19, Keighley 8.
Huddersfield 22, York 10.
Hull Kingston 13, Wakefield 8.
Leeds 6, Hull 23.

RUGBY UNION

Guy's Hosp. 16, Wasps 8.
Harlequins 8, Army XV 10.
Old Paulines 5, L'don-Irish-
Welsh 13.

Rosslyn P. 28, St. Barts, Hosp. 3.
Aberavon 6, Swansea 3.
Bedford 15, Northampton 0.
Bristol 28, Army XV 0.
Cardiff 40, Cross Keys 5.
Coventry 8, Moseley 8.
Ebbs Vale 6, Newport 8.
Gloucester 3, Bridgend 3.
Llanelli 3, Neath 3.
Torquay 15, Army XV 6.
Portsmouth Ser. 3, St. Mary's Hosp. 10.

BOWLING ALLEYS COMPETITION

In a 1st round match of the Singles (10 pin) Handicap Competition played at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys last night, M. Talan (plus 12) beat L. Gaddi (plus 12) by 84 pins, the final scores being 488 and 404 respectively.

In a three-game ten pin match between the U.S.S. Tulsa and the U.S.S. Barker the former won by 197 pins.

Teams and scores follow:
U.S.S. TULSA: Pete Pearson, Al Schreier, W. Michaels and H. Koslosky. Scores, 570, 545, 509. Total 1624.

U.S.S. BARKER: V. P. Beckwith, R. W. Cushing, E. L. MacMillan and J. Richardson. Scores, 510, 465, 452. Total 1427.

SURPRISE RESULTS IN LADIES' SOFTBALL

Wahoos Defeated By Baby Panthers: Close Finishes

The feature of the girls' Softball League games was the closeness of all matches played. Of the four games three were decided by the barest of margins, one run, while the other game finished with only two runs in the winners' favour.

With the exception of the Ball Club defeat of the Pirates, the other matches all resulted in upsets. The biggest surprise was the Wahoos' at the hands of lowly Baby Panthers. The game was a pitching battle between Teresa Noronha, of the Green Owls, and Irene Tavares, of the winners.

Lena Luongo tripled for the errors to allow the Maple Leaf to stage a 6-run rally to win the ball of the game while Celeste and game.

With the exception of the Chung Hwa versus Recrelo "B" fixture, the men's games were quite featureless. Chung Hwa played perfect defensive ball to register what was a close win over Recrelo "B".

Earl Wong, Wally Ching and T. S. Choy hit twice for the winners the first-named connecting for a triple, while Johnny Fonseca was the only one of the defeated squad to come through with the bat garnering a brace of singles.

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Hello & Goodbye

(BY A. W. HYER)

An Italian liner is arriving by today from Europe en route to the North. And Pan American Airways China-Clipper will dash in from Manila, landing at Kai Tak bay about 2 p.m.

People who make news are stay with the expedition during the crew of the junk Cheng Ho, 100-ft. Diesel powered craft constructed at Ah King's Slipway. The Botanical Explorations Inc. is the official title for this junk and the sailing members.

Imperial Airways

Sunday, 7 a.m. Imperial Airways R.M.A. Della, under the command of Acting Captain J. A. Samuels, set off for Bangkok, Mail for all Empire ports totalling 145 miles.

Mrs. R. J. Reason held a ticket to Southampton. This local resident should find herself in London just in time for Christmas Day.

En route to Karachi and new duties was Mr. F. A. Hine, a very ambitious young engineer of Imperial Airways who certainly enjoyed his tour of work here in the past six months.

American Line

These early morning sailing are certainly excellent excuses for informal parties and when the American President Line's steamer decided to sail about midnight over the week-end for the North, there was much gaiety.

Mr. Claude Barr, representative of Canadian National Railways, no doubt, still vividly remembers his adios gathering. Friends toasted him for Christmas, New Year, bon voyage, and his health. Then he sailed out for a call and the holiday season in Shanghai.

Another local business executive who had his share of farewells, good cheer and best wishes was Mr. O. Cuevas, of Intercontinental Corporation. This gentleman is en route to the United States on business and holiday. He was a passenger on the R.M.A. Dardanus which was shot at by Japanese planes.

Shanghai-bound was Mr. Harrison Arnold, representative of Ford Motors. He is hurrying home for Santa Claus Day.

Miss Olive Rand a very nice "American Miss" is going back to her work in Shanghai where she is connected with business of the American Government.

Cheng Ho

Counting members departing before December 25 on the junk Cheng Ho, for Manila, we find a "Bachelor Cruise de Luxe". The ladies do not go aboard until the expedition arrives in the south.

First of all we have Mr. T. Killkenny, a sailor of long and varied history. Medium height with a square and heavy build, Mr. Killkenny, who by the way has a deep and delightful raucous laugh which commences at about his knees, is responsible for the plans, construction and mechanical details of the Cheng Ho. He will of Ah King's.

The Cheng Ho, a sturdy 100-foot junk, is comfortably and efficiently constructed and indeed a proud lady of the sea when, with sails hoisted, she moves down the bay. Her crew keen, intelligent and strong will be well served by this latest masterpiece from the yards of Ah King's.

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WILL THE GRAF SPEE MAKE A BID FOR FREEDOM? — URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT'S TIME LIMIT OF 72 HOURS EXPIRES

Battered Battleship's Predicament

LONDON, DEC. 16 (REUTER). — THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO PERMIT THE GRAF SPEE 72 HOURS IN MONTEVIDEO, REUTER LEARNS AUTHORITY. It is understood that this means from the moment she entered harbour at 10 p.m. local time Wednesday.

This follows an exchange of views between the British Minister at Montevideo and the Uruguayan Foreign Office. During this period the Graf Spee is being permitted to effect the repairs necessary to make her seaworthy.

The news communicated to the British Minister to Montevideo last night.

No protest has yet reached London from Uruguay in respect of the operations against the Graf Spee.

MOST HAZARDOUS
Regarding speculation that the Graf Spee might attempt to make Buenos Aires, keeping in territorial waters all along the coast, it is pointed out that owing to the shallow water, particularly in the River Plata, this would be most hazardous if not impossible.

Britain recognises the three-mile limit but has reserved all rights with respect to the Panama declaration which claimed a neutrality limit of 300 miles around the Americas.

ATTEMPT REGARDED AS UNLIKELY

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 16 (Reuter). — Many here believe that the Admiral Graf Spee is preparing to slip out of harbour at any moment without waiting for repairs to be completed.

This belief is not supported by the captains of the sunk British ships who were released from the battleship.

They regard as unlikely any attempt by the Graf Spee to run the gauntlet of the British warships patrolling the mouth of the River Plata unless definite orders are received from Berlin.

PATCHING WOUNDS

Though the time limit for the Admiral Graf Spee's stay here expires tomorrow (Sunday), the exact hour has not yet been announced.

The crew of the damaged battleship are still patching up her wounds, many of them being kept hard at work while their 36 comrades were being buried.

R.A.F. in France Prepare For A Hard And Bitterly Cold Winter

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter). — Britain's Air Arm in France is hastening its preparations for a hard winter, says Reuter's special correspondent with the R.A.F. in France.

BITTER COLD
The season gives every promise of being bitterly cold in the West. Front and it may well be one of the bitterest winters since 1914.

In view of its close proximity to Germany, which is within easy striking distance, the Air Force expects to have big share in what Sir Kingsley Wood, Minister for Air, called another and "more strenuous and difficult" chapter of the war in the air, which he warned in the House of Commons might open before the spring.

The Royal Air Force is speculating keenly on what the Air Minister's words may foretell.

While they hope that the new development may be delayed until after Christmas and New Year leave, they are just as eager to have a crack at the enemy.

LONDON, Dec. 16 (Reuter). — The argument that economic blockade and aerial bombardment of industrial areas are justified, is contained in an article which appears in the leading German military publication.

The marriage of Miss Jenny Hamet, daughter of Mr. and the late Mrs. A. H. Hamet, and Mr. M. el Arculli, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. O. el Arculli, took place at the Mohammedan Mosque yesterday. A reception was held in the afternoon at the Indian Recreation Club.

MINES TAKE BIG TOLL OF NEUTRAL SHIPPING: FOUR SUNK

WESTERN FRONT

French Hurl Back Large Nazi Raid

PATROL ACTIVITY

PARIS, Dec. 16 (Reuter). — The French today hurled back one of the largest German raids of the war on the western front.

Several company sections, with artillery support, attacked the French lines with the intention of taking prisoners.

ATTACK REFUSED
They were repulsed by automatic rifle fire, hand grenades and counter-fire from French batteries.

French and German casemates exchanged desultory artillery fire.

PATROL ACTIVITY
The chief activity on the western front is still against enemy patrols.

This morning's French war communiqué says there is nothing of importance.

The position of the main German concentrations has not changed in the last two months.

DRIVEN BACK
There was heavy German patrol activity on the Western Front yesterday.

Two Nazi patrols penetrated the advanced French outposts, but were driven back with casualties on both sides, it is reported.

The War Ministry confirms a report that movements of German troops have been noted by the French during the past few days.

NAZI SKIPPER PAYS TRIBUTE TO BRITISH NAVAL GALLANTRY AND GREAT DARING

"Took Risks Which Were Incredible"

LONDON, Dec. 16 (Reuter). — An account of the running fight with H.M.S. Exeter, Achilles and Ajax was given to-day to Uruguayan officials in Montevideo by Captain Landsdorp, in command of the Admiral Graf Spee.

Captain Landsdorp paid a sporting tribute to his British opponents for the gallant manner in which they closed to short range under the German battleship's immensely superior armament.

He said he first sighted Exeter at 6 o'clock on Wednesday morning, and while they were taking stock of her, Ajax and Achilles appeared.

SWIFT MANOEUVRE
The British ships manoeuvred swiftly and placed the Graf Spee between them and the shore.

"I was afraid of the shallow waters and was unable to go out further to sea owing to the British fire," Captain Landsdorp said.

There was a lively exchange of fire with Exeter before Ajax and Achilles drew within range.

ACCURATE FIRING
Capt. Landsdorp expressed his admiration of the fire of the latter two cruisers, which had a severe effect on the Graf Spee's prow and control tower, where there were several casualties among the men directing the battleship's fire.

"I again considered making a dash for deep water with the idea of engaging my opponents in single combat but the attempt was frustrated by the British manoeuvres."

SEVERAL HITS
The British Commodore, in Exeter, ordered his ships to close in, and I should like to pay a tribute to Ajax and Achilles which took risks which were incredible even in the heat of battle.

"They laid smoke screens within a mile of us and scored several hits from both sides," concluded the German commander.

SKIPPER'S SKILL
MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 16 (Reuter). — The quartermaster of the Admiral Graf Spee, who is in hospital suffering from wounds, today highly praised the skill of his captain.

Sino-Burmese Relations

GOODWILL MISSION ENTERTAINED

CHUNGKING, Dec. 17 (Central). — The Burmese Goodwill Mission to China was entertained at a tea party by Dr. H. H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan and concurrently Minister of Finance, and other officials of the Yuan, yesterday afternoon.

In the course of a speech Dr. Kung expressed the hope that Sino-Burmese relations will be further strengthened.

CULTURAL ASSN.
Mr. U Ba Lwin, leader of the Mission, suggested the organisation of a Sino-Burmese Cultural Association and the exchange of college professors and students between the two countries.

Earlier in the day, the mission visited the Central University, Nankai University and Chungking University and was entertained at lunch by the Presidents of the three institutions.

NINE MEMBERS
The mission comprises nine members, namely U Ba Lwin, Miss Daw Mya Sein, Thakin Nu, U Ba Choe, Ganga Singh, U Ba, Saw Taik Leong, William Tseng and Liu Hsi-sung.

Mr. U Ba Lwin is a well-known Burmese statesman and educator, one-time vice-speaker of the Burmese Senate and former President of the Rotary Club in Rangoon.

Miss Daw Mya Sein, deputy leader of the Mission, better known among international women societies as Miss May Oung, is president of the Buddhist College for Girls and president of the Sino-Burmese Educational Society.

TO VISIT KUNMING
KUNMING, Dec. 17 (Central). — Members of the Burmese Goodwill Mission who are now in the wartime capital will visit Kunming on Dec. 27, it is learned here today.

Gen. Lung Yun, Chairman of the Yunnan Provincial Government, and official circles here have completed preparations to welcome the Burmese visitors.

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No Headway In Formation Of "Central Government"

SHANGHAI, Dec. 17 (Reuter). — As expected the discussions at the seventh meeting of the United Council of the "Provisional" and "Reformed" Governments, which concluded yesterday, failed to throw any light on the question of the new Central Government, resulting merely in passing five resolutions on comparatively minor issues.

JAPANESE COMMENT ON LEAGUE RESOLUTION

TOKYO, Dec. 17 (Reuter). — The resolution expelling Russia will not necessarily lead to war, according to the Yomiuri Shimbun today.

The newspaper asserts that "England supported sanctions against Russia in deference to American public opinion."

The Hoshi Shimbun urges Russia to pursue a new policy as an Asiatic Power along the lines of economic development of the sparsely populated Siberia, which is rich in natural resources, and to increase her friendly relations with Japan, Manchoukuo and China by taking advantage of the League action.

The Chugai Shogyo, leading commercial daily, says: "Geographically, the Soviet Union occupies an international position of unique advantage, which defies foreign invasion or domination."

PRESS COMMENT
LONDON, Dec. 18 (Reuter). — One of the chief topics in this morning's editorial comment in the British press is the prompt expulsion of Russia from the League of Nations.

The Daily Telegraph says: "Such a response to Finland's appeal is proof that, even in the ashes of the League dwell its wonted fires."

The Yorkshire Post speaks of the League's difficulties, and refers to the scheme for a Union of the Democracies of the United Kingdom, the United States, the Dominions and Scandinavia, who, with France, have all been at peace with one another for over 100 years.

ATTITUDE OF SOVIET
MOSCOW, Dec. 16 (Reuter). — An authoritative appraisal of the League of Nations' decision regarding Russia is published by the official Tass agency.

It describes it as absurd and says it calls forth an ironic smile.

The comment adds that the ruling circles in Britain and France, under whose dictation the Council's resolution was adopted, have neither the moral nor the formal right to talk about "aggression" by the Soviet Union and to condemn this aggression.

PEACE TREATIES & NEED FOR THEIR PEACEFUL REVISION

He spoke of Italy's desire to see order and peace maintained in the Balkans, but not through the formation of any new bloc of nations.

He also referred to Italy's relations with individual countries, and particularly emphasised her friendly relations with Hungary.

Relations with Turkey, he said, were covered by a pact, while with Rumania and Bulgaria the most friendly relations existed.

VIGILANT SPIRIT
Fascist Italy, Count Ciano concluded, continued to follow in the vigilant spirit the development of events, and was ever-ready, if possible, to give once again a contribution towards world peace.

The most important sentence in Count Ciano's speech was: "I wish to make it clear that no initiative has been taken by Italy so far, nor is it our intention to take any initiative, nor can we make clear our stand towards neutrals."

Count Ciano added that Italy's same time was equally determined to protect with infinite purpose her interests both on land and sea.

ITALY'S CONTRIBUTION
Count Ciano emphasised the positive contribution which Italy had made towards peace and recalled the Spanish civil war and the reasons why Italy, morally and materially, supported General Franco.

Count Ciano reaffirmed the bonds uniting the Italian and Spanish peoples.

paths, shivering with the cold. Temporary shelter, it was understood, was to be provided for them by other villagers in the vicinity.

About 10.30 p.m., a fireman who was actively at work with the hose had the misfortune to sprain his knee, and he was carried across the fields by St. John Ambulance men and members of the Citizens' Self-Defence Corps, who were on duty, to a waiting ambulance and taken to hospital.

PEOPLE SHIVERING
Hundreds of men, women and children, who were unable to save much of their possessions, could be seen squatting by the side of

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BILLIARDS				
Prison Officers Club 1:—Gowland	150, Pike 89, Goodwin 66.			
H.B. Club 2:—Castillo 72, Low	150, Ng 150.			
C.S.C.C. 2:—Jones 150, Rakusen	148, Grinnitt 150.			
H.K. Police 1:—Bradsett 77.	Pope 150, Goodwin 81.			
H.K. Police 3:—Ellis 150, Pope	150, Goodwin 150.			
Naval Police 0:—Whelan 136.	McAteer 132, Roach 90.			
C. and P.O.R.C. 3:—Davies 150.	Hawkes 150, Grant 150.			
Garrison "A" 0:—Carden 75.	Harden 130, Wood 115.			
Naval Police 0:—Whelan 147.	Roach 148, Batten 112.			
D.R.C. 3:—Jackson 150, Lewis	150, Collins 150.			
Garrison "B" 1:—Cullimore 100.	Brown 76, Lord 150.			
C.O.C. 2:—Hongsing 150, Kit-	ohell 150, Zimmern 127.			

LEAGUE TABLE						
	P.	W.	L.	F.	A. Pts.	
Civil Ser. C.C.	8	8	0	21	3	21
H.B. Club	7	7	0	18	3	18
D.R.C.	6	6	2	15	9	15
C.C.C.	8	4	4	13	11	13
H.K. Police ..	7	4	3	12	9	12
Garrison "A" ..	8	4	4	11	13	11
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C. and P.O.R.C.	7	3	4	9	12	9
R.A.F. Sgts.	6	3	3	8	10	8
Mess	6	3	3	8	10	8
Naval Police	6	1	5	6	12	6
R.E. Sgts. Mess ..	7	1	6	5	16	5
Garrison "B"	7	0	7	3	18	3

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SATURDAY'S CRICKET

RIDE AND PEARCE BAT WELL

The cricket match between Kowloon Cricket Club and the Hongkong Cricket Club at Cox's Path on Saturday was played to a draw. Both sides batted steadily to amass comfortable scores.

179 FOR 4
Hongkong Cricket Club, having first lease of the wicket, were more successful, knocking up 179 runs for the loss of four wickets. To this total, Dr. L. T. Ride contributed 64, and T. A. Pearce 72.

155 FOR 7
Kowloon Cricket Club replied with 155 for the loss of seven wickets. D. J. N. Anderson being top-scorer with 57, and E. F. Fincher hitting up 38. T. A. Pearce took three wickets for 44 runs.

JUNIOR DIVISION

Two wins were recorded in Junior Division Cricket on Saturday. In a low-scoring match, Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI did a creditable job to win by two wickets from Royal Air Force at Sookunpoo, while at the Valley, Kowloon Cricket Club 2nd XI beat Civil Service Cricket Club 2nd XI by eight wickets.

THE SCORES

Scores in Saturday's cricket were:—

AT SOOKUNPOO. Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI beat Royal Air Force by two wickets. R.A.F. 47 (M. R. Abbas 4 for 20, Y. T. Barma 4 for 8), I.R.C. 2nd XI 72 (A. R. Saffad 21 not out, W. Gillespie 3 for 38, J. Waddington 6 for 24).

AT THE VALLEY. Kowloon Cricket Club 2nd XI beat Civil Service Cricket Club 2nd XI by eight wickets. C.S.C.C. 2nd XI 92 (T. L. Lockhart 24, E. Curtis 4 for 17, R. Baldwin 3 for 40, E. Pope 3 for 20). K.C.C. 2nd XI 189 for 3 wks. (E. D. Lay 25, G. A. Goodban 48, R. Baldwin 33).

AT KING'S PARK. Club de Recreio 2nd XI drew with Police Recreation Club. Recreio 2nd XI 131 (H. M. Xavier 25, A. J. M. Prata 20, M. A. Remedios 36 not out, C. Pope 4 for 45, J. Lewis 5 for 36), Police R.C. 80 for 9 wks. (W. L. Clarke 42 not out, A. V. Gosano 5 for 18).

AT THE VALLEY. Craigengower Cricket Club 2nd XI drew with Middlesex Regiment. C.C.C. 2nd XI 151 for 7 wks. (A. J. Hulze 82, L/Cpl. Williams 4 for 29), Middlesex Regt. 93 for 8 wks. (Pte. Cutler 26, A. B. Hamson 4 for 27).

AT CHATER ROAD. Hongkong Cricket Club 2nd XI drew with University. H.K.C.C. 2nd XI 174 (H. J. D. Lowe 23, D. O. Parsons 51, A. K. Mackenzie 39, C. N. Matthews 4 for 52), University 109 for 5 wks. (K. Y. Tam 53).

RACING RESULTS

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Won by two lengths, short head between second and third.

Time: 2:13

Part Mutuel:—

Winner: \$101.50.

Places: \$23.50, \$12.00, \$16.20.

Also ran:—A Roaring Time 155 lbs. (V. V. Needa); Courting Eve 155 (H. C. Pih); Lancashire Chips 152 (H. J. A. Hearne); Tornado 152 (S. W. Fan); Triumphant Day 155 (S. C. Liang).

Betting

	Win.	Place.
A Grand Time	291	297
A Roaring Time	445	321
Baffin Bay	794	776
Chiltern	580	491
Courting Eve	1661	1125
Lancashire Chips	1566	1433
Tornado Star	425	429
Triumphant Day	939	639.
	6,701	5,511

RACE SEVEN

Scenic View, Dawn Star and Boolat Bay (favourite) were in front first time round. In the back stretch Dawn Star took the lead for a while, but was soon displaced by Soldier of Britain (outsider) who lead into the straight.

In the home run Rose Flana (comparative outsider) and Galveston Bay (third favourite) forged ahead to finish in that order with a length between them, while Boolat Bay, making a late run, took third place.

Dawn Star and Scenic View having weakened, and finished in the rack, while Taxing Master, carrying only ten tickets less than the favourite, was never in the race at any stage.

Last Chance Handicap—(One Mile)

Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rose Flana, 167 lbs. (Mr. C. Encarnacao) 1

Mr. L. Dunbar's Galveston Bay, 151 lbs. (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 2

Mr. S. W. Lee's Boolat Bay, 161 lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 3

Won by a length, three quarters of a length between second and third.

Time: 2:00

Part Mutuel:—

Winner: \$48.30.

Places: \$18.20, \$10.50, \$9.70.

Also ran:—Clownier 146 lbs. (B. A. Proulx); Dawn Star 154 (S. W. Fan); National Pride 153 (Ip Kiu-ying); Salvage Master 140. (D. Black); Scenic View 147 (H. C. Pih); Soldier of Britain 140 (Y. T. Fung); Tampa Bay 159 (P. P. Botelho); Taxing Master 168 (L. B. Chao).

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Boolat Bay	898	742
Clownier	112	145
Dawn Star	508	284
Galveston Bay	759	637
National Pride	389	273
Rose Flana	481	311
Salvage Master	139	124
Scenic View	303	350
Soldier of British	207	155
Tampa Bay	591	422
Taxing Master	888	851
	5,275	4,204

RACE EIGHT

Going very easy, Piet Hein (second favourite), Lancashire Chap (least fancied) Valorous and Night View (favourite) went round in that order up to the rock where Night View overtook Valorous and the field entered the straight in that order.

In the home run Night View overtook Lancashire Chap and the two closed in on Piet Hein. The trio then fought out the last furlong running almost neck and neck and providing a real thrill for the spectators. Piet Hein eventually finished a neck in front of Night View who was the same distance ahead of Lancashire Chap. Valorous was last five lengths behind.

Final Handicap—(One Mile)

Hollandia's Piet Hein, 154 lbs. (Mr. V. V. Needa) 1

Lan's Night View, 146 lbs. (Mr. H. C. Pih) 2

Lee Bros' Lancashire Chap, 140 lbs. (Mr. Y. T. Fung) 3

Won by a neck, the same between second and third.

Time: 2:09.2

Part Mutuel:—

Winner: \$11.80.

Places: \$5.70, \$6.20.

Also ran:—Valorous 143 lbs. (Ip Kiu-ying).

Betting

	Win.	Place.
Lancashire Chap	305	145
Night View	1405	410
Piet Hein	1333	646
Valorous	356	214
	3,619	1,415

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH FOOTBALL RESULTS

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter)—The following are the results of matches in the English and Scottish regional tournament, played yesterday:

MIDLAND

Birmingham 2, Walsall 2.
Leicester 3, Luton 3.
Northampton 1, Wolverhampton 2.

West Brom. A. 3, Coventry 1.

SOUTH-A

Arsenal 5, Southend 1.
Charlton 5, Watford 1.
Clapton O. 1, West Ham 5.
Crystal P. 4, Millwall 1.
Norwich 5, Tottenham 2.

SOUTH-B

Aldershot 3, Southampton 0.
Bournemouth 2, Chelsea 2.
Fulham 2, Brentford 4.
Portsmouth 1, Reading 2.
Queen's Park R. 3, Brighton 2.

SOUTH-WESTERN

Bristol 1, Plymouth 0.
Newport 0, Bristol R. 1.
Swansea 4, Cardiff 0.
Torquay 5, Swindon 1.

NORTH-EASTERN

Middlesborough 3, Darlington 1.

OTHER MATCHES

Accrington 7, Oldham 1.
Blackburn 0, Everton 6.
Bury 5, Blackpool 3.
Barnsley 2, Bradford 3.
Bolton 3, Army XI 3.
Bradford C. 3, Rotherham 2.
Burnley 0, Manchester C. 2.
Carlisle 2, Newcastle 5.
Chesterfield 1, Halifax 1.
Chester 3, Bury 4.
Crew Alex. 3, Shrewsbury 1.
Doncaster 2, Huddersfield 2.
Grimsby 5, Leeds 5.
Hull 4, Notts C. 5.
Liverpool 0, Preston 1.
Manchester U. 1, Sheffield 2.
New Brighton 2, Southbourne 3.
Notts F. 6, Stockport 0.
Port Vale 1, West Brom. 4.

SCOTTISH-WESTERN

Airdrie 1, Partick 2.
Ayr U. 2, St. Mirren 3.
Celtic 1, Third Lanark 2.
Morton 1, Hamilton 2.
Motherwell 5, Dumbarton 1.
Queen of South 4, Kilmarnock 2.

SCOTTISH-EASTERN

Arbroath 0, Hibernian 0.
Dundee 5, King's Park 0.
Dunfermline 2, Alloa 4.
East Fife 9, Stenhousemuir 3.
Falkirk 5, Raith 0.
Hearts 3, Aberdeen 2.
St. Bernards 4, Dundee U. 2.
St. Johnstone 3, Cowdenbeath 0.

WEIGHT LIFTING COMPETITION

The fourth weight lifting competition by pupils of the Maurice College of Physical Education was held at the College yesterday. Mr. Lim Hoy-lan, patron of the college, presented the prizes.

The results were as follows:—

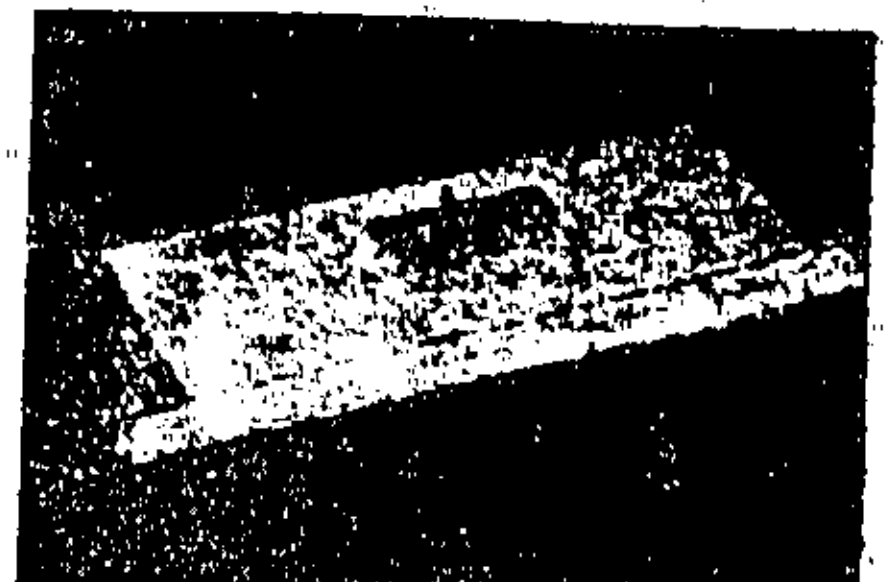
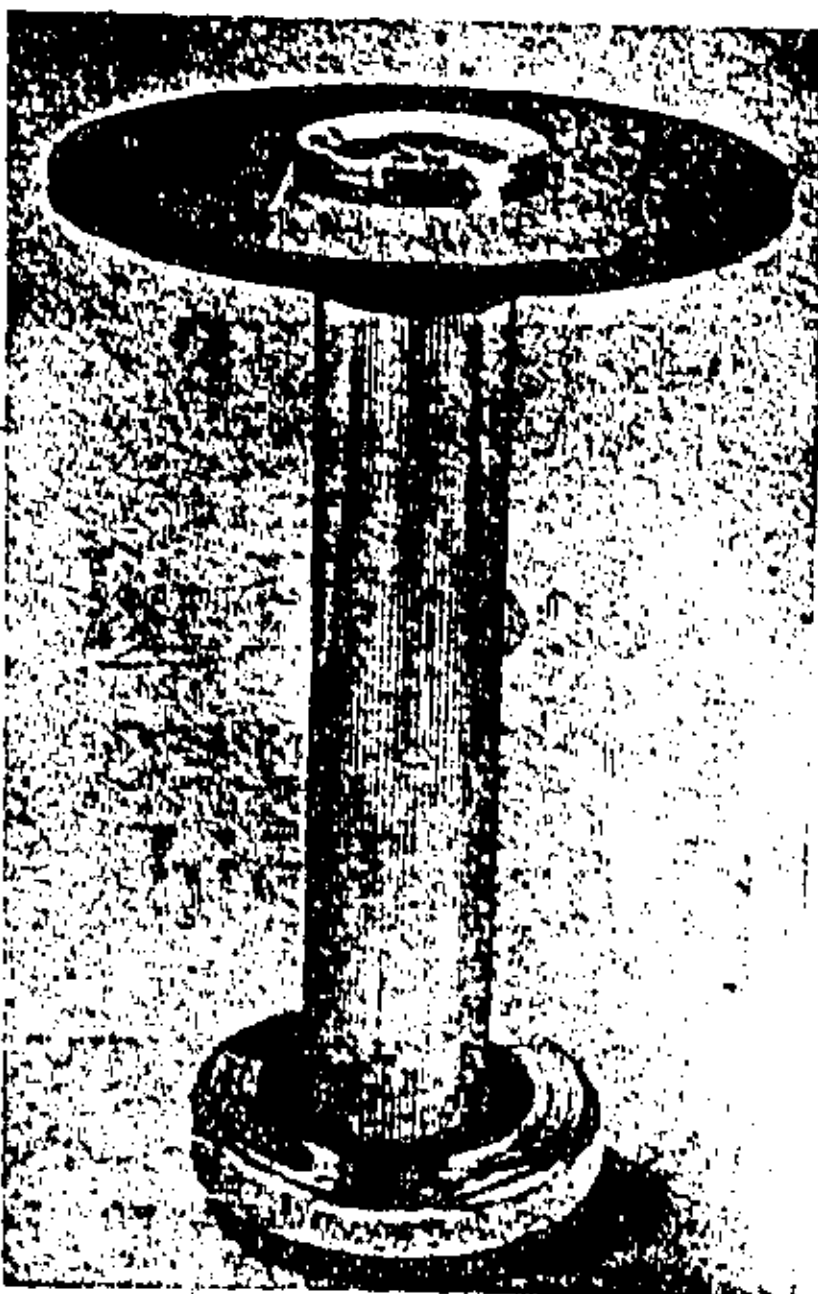
Weight Lifting.—Senior—1, Wong Hsion-ching (record, 180 lbs. two hands clean and jerk); 2, Fung Shu-shit; 3, Cheung Yum.
Junior—1, Watt Mo-kei; 2, Robert Hong; 3, Woo Shai-cheung.
Posting Competition.—1, Chan Pak-ming; 2, Fung Shu-shit and Woo Shai-cheung; 3, Cheung Yum.

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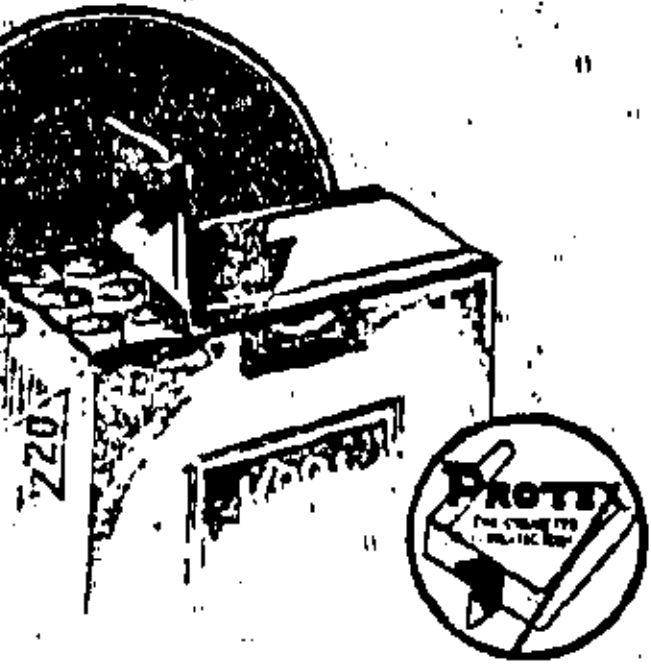
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WAR-TIME ECONOMIES

Whether they have to submit to the restriction imposed by a petrol ration or not, many will be particularly interested in the ideas and suggestions which are being put forward at the present time with a view to making the most of the fuel allowed, writes a Home correspondent.

One of the most obvious suggestions is that of coasting wherever possible, not only down hill but when approaching traffic lights or a place where a stop will have to be made.

There are many drivers who are keeping a more careful watch on the speedometer, realising that a moderate speed will help to keep down the petrol bill.

WHAT OIL TO USE

It has also been demonstrated by independent tests in recent years that when an engine is running on light load, the use of too heavy a lubricating oil increases petrol consumption by about 10 per cent.

Yet it was necessary to err on the heavy side in selecting a lubricating oil in order to withstand prolonged full-throttle work in hot weather.

Under the present wartime motoring conditions it is possible, and desirable, that improved petrol consumption be sought by using a thinner oil than would be correct under normal circumstances.

This is backed by expert opinion, because motorists will rarely be exceeding 40 m.p.h. and they will be making shorter journeys, so that the engine will not reach the high temperatures attained on long runs. The cooler weather also is an aid.

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...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	284 1/2	...
...	Do. (Loc. Reg.)	...	282 1/2	...
...	Chartered Bank	...	28 1/2	...
...	Mercantile Bk. (A)	...	229 1/2	...
...	Mercantile Bk. (C)	...	211 1/2	...
...	Bank of East Asia	...	75	...
...	N. C. & S. Bank	...	...	...
Insurance							
...	Canton Insurance	...	220	...
...	Union Insurance	...	...	...
...	Underwriters	...	80 cts.	...
...	H.K. Fire	...	185	...
Shipping							
...	Douglas	...	71	...
...	Steamboats	...	11	...
...	Indo-China (Pref.)	...	90	...
...	Indo-China (Def.)	...	70	...
...	Shells	...	81/3	...
...	Waterboats	...	8	...
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	101	...
...	Providents	...	45 1/2	...
...	Providents (new)	...	...	...
...	H.K. & W. Docks	...	18 1/2	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks	...	180	...
...	New Engineering & Mining	...	18 1/2	...
...	Kailash	...	17/6	...
...	Venezuela Gold Fds	...	10/10	...
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	3	...
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...	H.K. Hotels	...	490	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	33 1/2	...
...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	100 1/2	...
...	Shanghai Lands
...	H.K. Realities	...	440	...
...	Humphreys	...	780	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...
...	Ewo (S.)	...	237	...
...	S'hai Cottons (S.)	...	152	...
...	Zoong Sings (S.)	...	342	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	100	...
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...
...	Tramways	...	17 1/2	...
...	Park Trams (old)	...	8	...
...	Park Trams (new)	...	4	...
...	Star Ferries	...	86 1/2	...
...	Y'mat Ferries	...	234	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	China Lights (O)	...	88 1/2	...
...	China Lights (New)	...	89 1/2	...
...	China Lights (R)	...	490	...
...	H.K. Electric	...	63	...
...	Macao Electric
...	Sandakan Lights
...	Telephones (old)	...	24 1/2	...
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...	Cement	...	16 1/2	...
...	Boper	...	8	...
...	Miscellaneous
...	Dairy Farm (Old)	...	30 1/2	...
...	Dairy Farm (New)	...	30	...
...	Ch. Estate	...	88 1/2	...
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...	Construction (new)
...	Lane Crawford	...	8	...
...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	4	...
...	Sincere	...	2	...
...	Watsons	...	88 1/2	...
...	Ch. G.S. 1929 3/4%	...	47 1/2	...
...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	...	100 1/2	...
...	H.K. Govt. 5% Loan	...	97 1/2	...
...	H.K. Wing On	...	41	...
...	S'hai Wing On	...	10	...
...	Vibro Pilling	...	8 1/2	...
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H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Market ruled quite steady for the short session, closing with a firm undertone

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Yaumati Ferries, \$23 1/2
China Lights (Old), \$8.15
Electric, \$53.
Sandakan Lights, \$11.60
Telephones (New), \$8.60.
Dairy Farms (Old), \$21.
Dairy Farms (New), \$20 1/2
Watsons, \$8.85.
Entertainments, \$64.
Constructions (Old), \$12

SELLERS

Bank of East Asia, \$78
H. & S. Hotels, \$5.10
Lands, \$34.
Tramways, \$17.30.
Telephones (Old), \$25 1/2
H.K. Bank, \$1350.
Union Ins., \$412 1/2
Docks, \$19 1/2
H. & S. Hotels, \$4.90
Tramways, \$17.20.
Telephones (New), \$8 1/2
Ropes, \$6.

SALES

H.K. Bank, \$1350.
Union Ins., \$412 1/2
Docks, \$19 1/2
H. & S. Hotels, \$4.90
Tramways, \$17.20.
Telephones (New), \$8 1/2
Ropes, \$6.

Money Market

PEOPLE'S SPENDING POWER IS STILL MAINTAINED

LONDON, Dec. 17 (Reuter)—On the Money Market the rise in note circulation from 433.9 to 545.1 millions indicates the maintenance of the people's spending power despite war conditions. Borrowers now find that loans over the year-end are preferable to overnight money. Discounts were inclined to harden and this week's offerings are at £65,000,000 in Treasury Bills, allotted at the average rate of £1.5.3. against £1.4.6. the previous week. Wall Street, closed steady.

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, December 14.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3½% (Red after 1932)	92-5/16
Canton-K'loon Ry. 5%	17
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	55
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 1925-47	47
Chin. 4½% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 1912	25
Chinese 5% Recog. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	34
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	12
Chin. Imperial Ry. 5% Loan	55
Honan Ry. 5%	15
Hukuang Ry. 5%, 1911	17
Hukuang Ry. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	16
Lung T'ing & U. Hai Ry. 5%	18
Shai-N'king Ry. 5%	20
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	14
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (German Stpd.)	14
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Loan)	14
Tientsin-Pukow Ry. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Loan)	14
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	48
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	54
Ger. 3% Int'l. Loan, 1924	51
Chartered Bank	84
H.K. & Shai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	82½
H.K. & Shai Bank (Col. Reg.)	85
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17
Chosen Corporation	6/8
Pekin Syndicate	1/8
Shai Elec. Constr. Co.	13
Shai Waterworks "A"	12
Union Insurance	23
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	21/9
Allied Ironfounders	15
Asso. & Elec. Industries	39/3
Austin Motors, ord.	17/9
Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord.	57½
B.-A. Tob. (bearer)	91/3
Mercantile Bank	11½
Cammell Laird, ord.	6/6
Mexican Eagle	6/6
Courtauld	37
Distillers	63/3
Dunlop Rubber	29/9
Gen. Electric (England)	75
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	76/3
Hawker Siddeley Air.	16
Bristol Aeroplane	14/7½
Imperial Chemical Ind.	20/7½
Imperial Tobacco	118/9
Marks & Spencer "A" ord	51/7½
Rolls Royce	95/7½
Leyland Motors	87/9
Tate & Lyle	57/4½
Turner & Newall	74
United Steel	21/3
Smethwick Drop Forg.	13/6
Armstrong Stevens, ord.	6
Pressed Steel, coin	14/1½
Vickers, ord.	16/4½
Woolworths	81
Anglo-Dutch	27/9
Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust	33/9
Burma Corporation	11/9
Commonwealth Mining	14/6
Marsman Investments	38/1½
Randfontein Estates	10/6
Western Holdings	202/6
Sub-Nigel	3d
Tanami Gold Mining	53/9
Anglo-Iranian	60/7½
Burmah	80
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer)	80

JAPANESE GOODS AND BRITISH BLOCKADE

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15. (Int'l.)—For every ton of German goods confiscated by the British authorities on board Japanese ships, the same amount of British goods aboard British vessels in Far Eastern waters will be confiscated by the Japanese," stated a Japanese spokesman here.

A cargo of German goods is aboard the Sanyo Maru, which sailed from Rotterdam on Dec. 10. Japanese naval circles maintained that the new blockade measure is incompatible with international law and the Japanese authorities are resolved to enforce their views by actions if necessary.

SILVER MARKET

BOMBAY SILVER	
Bombay, Dec. 16 (Reuters)	
Market—Quiet. Offtake 100 bars.	
Indian Mint Silver	
Ready	63-10
Jan. 6 Settlement	63-14
Feb. 3 Settlement	64-10

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

SINGAPORE RUBBER			
	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Change
buyers			
S P O T	40-3/8	39-1/4	off 1-1/8
JAN-MARCH	39-1/2	38-3/4	off 3/4
APRIL-JUNE	37-1/2	36-3/4	off 3/4

The market was quiet.

LONDON RUBBER			
	Dec. 15	Dec. 16	Change
buyers			
S P O T	11-13/16		
JAN-MARCH	11-7/8		
APRIL-JUNE	11-3/4		

Closed

NEW YORK COTTON: Trade and foreign demand advanced prices easily. Hedge-selling against loan withdrawals was limited as a result of the grower's persistent holding-movement. Textiles were more active and prices were firm. Trade predictions for the year-end were generally optimistic.

NEW YORK RUBBER: There was some factory demand. Shipments were light and sellers were not pressing.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The cash position remains firm while it is hinted that good export demand is expected as a result of the low crop estimate in the Argentine. Lack of an indication of early relief in the drought sections is an additional bullish factor.

NEW YORK HIDES: There was a large commission-house demand for futures, including substantial purchases by the prominent operators. Large spot sales are reported. Active demand for domestic leather continues.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 149.64; Today's close, 149.35; Change, off .29.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and S. E. Levy & Company)

	High	Low	Prev. To-day's	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.	11.01	10.90	10.89	10.96	.07 up
New York Rubber, Mar.	19.50	19.50	19.35	19.40b	.05 up
Chicago Wheat, May	105½	101½	101½	105	.34 up
Chicago Corn, May	58½	57½	57½	58½	.11 up
New York Hides, Mar.	15.59	15.45	15.41	15.53	.12 up
NEW YORK COTTON					
December	11.00/00				
January	11.09/09				
March	10.89/90				
May	10.55/56				
July	10.16/17				
July (New contract)	10.28/28				
October ()	9.63/65				
Spot	11.33 N				
Volume (In contract of 100 bales each)			183,400 bales		
Note: January cotton, first notice day:—26/12/39 last notice day:—17/1/40.					
NEW YORK RUBBER					
December	20.25b/35a		20.30 N		.05 up
March	19.35/37		19.40b/50a		.05 up
May	18.95/95		18.90b/98a		.13 up
July	18.72/72		18.85/85		.13 up
September	18.57 N		18.70/70		.13 up
Note: December rubber, last notice day:—27/12/39.					
Total sales for the day:—310 tons.					
CHICAGO WHEAT					
December	103½/103½		105½/107		.34 up
May	101½/101½		105½/105½		.31 up
July	99½/99½		100½/100½		.31 up
Friday's sales:—39,048,000 bushels.					
CHICAGO CORN					
December	55½/55½		56½/56½		.11 up
May	56½/57		57½/57½		.11 up
July	57½/57½		58½/58½		.11 up
WINNIPEG WHEAT					
December	83½b		84½b		.14 up
May	87½/87½		88/89½		.14 up
July	88½b		90/90½		.14 up
NEW YORK HIDES					
March	15.41/43		15.45/50		.12 up
June	15.71/71		15.80b/81a		.12 up
New York, Official	34-3/4		unquoted		
NY-London Cross Rate	3.93-1/4		3.94		

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

DECEMBER 16, 1939

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer. 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months' sight 1 3/4	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand	31½
On Singapore:—	
On demand	52 3/4
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer. 82 1/2	
On demand	82 1/2
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 6/16	
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 15/16	
On Batavia:—	
On demand	40 1/4
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 180	
Credits 4 months' sight 1145	
On Saigon:—	
On demand	108 1/2
On Manila:—	
On demand	48 5/8

On Bangkok:—	
On demand	149 1/2
Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate	1/4
Bar Silver per oz.	23 3/8

Calcutta Exchange	
Calcutta, Dec. 16 (Reuters)	
T.T. on Japan, 80-3/8.	
India Rupee Paper	
Bombay, Dec. 16 (Reuters)	
Govt. 3½% Rupee, 87-12-0.	

New York Exchange	
New York, Dec. 16 (Reuters)	
T.T. on London (Opening Rate)	3.94-3/4

Savings Certificate Sales

LANCHOW, Dec. 17 (Central)—More than \$50,000 worth of National Economy Savings Certificates issued by the Postals Bank

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

STOCKS	Last Sale	Dec. 16	STOCKS	Last Sale	Dec. 16
Adams Express	84		Lukey Foundry & Mac.	3½	
Allegheny Steel Co.	22½		Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	50	
Allied Stores	9½		Lockheed Aircraft	31	
Alis Chalmers	40½		Loew's Inc.	33½	
Aluminum Ltd.	95½		Mack Truck Inc.	28½	
Ameraca Corp.			Manhattan Shirt Co.		
Amer. Can.	113		Martin, Glen L.	40	
American Cyanamid B.	33½		McKesson & Robbins, pfd.		
Amer. & Foreign Power	2		Monksanto Chemical	108½	
Amer. Gas & Elec.	25½		Montgomery Ward	54½	
Amer. Locomotive	23½		National Aviation	13½	
Amer. Metals Co.	23		Nat. Dairy Products	15½	
Amer. Radiator	9½		Nat. Distillers	23½	
Amer. Rolling Mill	16½		National Gypsum	11½	
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	52½		National Lead	20½	
Amer. Sugar Refining	20½		Nat. Power & Light	8½	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	168½		National Steel Corp.	70½	
Amer. Tobacco "B"	83½		Nat. Supply Corp.	8½	
Amer. Waterworks	11		New York Central	18½	
Anacosta Copper	31		Niagara Hudson Power	6½	
Atchafson, T. & S. Fe.	24½		N. American Aviation	28	
Auburn Motors	2½		North American Co.	22	
Baltimore & Ohio	5½		Northern Pacific	9	
Barber Asphalt Co.	14½		Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	62½	
Barnsdall Oil	12½		Pacific Gas & Elec.	33	
Bendix Aviation	30		Pacific Lighting	47½	
Bethlehem Steel	83½		Packard Motors	3½	
Bills & Co.	15		Paramount Pictures	7½	
Boeing Airplane Co.	22½		Pennsylvania R.R.	22½	
Borg-Warner	24½		Phelps-Dodge	41½	
Biggs Manufacturing	22½		Phillips Petroleum	39	
Brooklyn-Manhattan Tracs.	14½		Pittsburg Coke & Iron	83½	
Brooklyn-Manhattan \$6	49½		Public Service of N.J.	40½	
Canadian Pacific R'way.	42		Pullman Inc.	33	
Case J. I.	72½		Pure Oil	8	
Celanese	28½		Radio Corp. of Am.	5½	
Chesapeake & Ohio	40½		Reading Company, Com.	16½	
Chrysler Corp.	89½		Reading Company, 1st pfd.	25½	
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	39½		Remington Arms Co., Inc.	5½	
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	82		Republic Aviation Corp.	58	
Columbia Gas & El.	6½		Republic Steel	23½	
Columbia 6% "A" pfd.	85		Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	14½	
Commercial Credit Co.	44½		Reynold Tobac "B"	37½	
Com. & Southern (ord)	14		Richfield Oil	8	
Consolidated Edison	29½		Safeway Stores	47	
Consolidated Oil	7½		Schenley Distillers	11½	
Continental Can.	42		Schenley Distillers \$5½ pfd.		
Continental Oil	23½		Sears Roebuck	82½	
Copperweld Steel	17		Shell Union Oil	12½	
Corn Products	63		Socoyn-Vacuum Oil	12	
Curtiss Wright (C)	10½		Southern Pacific	14½	
Curtiss Wright "A"	28½		Southern Ry \$5 pfd.	34½	
Deere & Co.	23½		Sperry	45½	
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16½		Spicer Manufacturing Co.	32	
Douglas Aircraft	81½		Standard Brands	54	
Du Pont de Nemours	179½		Stand Gas & Elec.	2½	
Eagle Picher Lead	11½		Standard Oil of California	24½	
Eaton Mfg. Co.	22½		Standard Oil of N.J.	43½	
Elec. Autolite	37½		Stone & Webster	11½	
Elec. Bond & Share	7½		Studebaker Com.	9	
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pfd.	57		Swift International	31½	
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pfd.	66½		Technicolor	14	
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pfd.	30½		Texas Corp.	43½	
Flintkote	20½		Texas Gulf Sulphur	32½	
Gen. American Trans.	54½		Trans-America Co.	6	
Gen. Electric	40½		20th Cent. Fox	12	
Gen. Motors	54		20th Cent. Fox \$1½ pfd.	22½	
Gen. Railway Signal	18½		Union Carbide & Carbon	87	
Gen. Tire & Rubber	22½		Union Pacific	96½	
Glidden Co.	17½		United Aircraft	45½	
Goodrich (B.F.)	19½		United Airlines Trans.	15½	
Goodrich \$5 pfd.	65½		United Corp.	2½	
Goodyear Tire & Co.	23½		United Corp. \$3 cum pfd.	38	
Great Northern Iron Ore	17½		United Gas Corp.	14	
Great Northern Ry. pfd.	28		United Gas Improvement	14½	
Great Western Sugar	23½		U.S. Industrial Alcohol	21½	
Greyhound Corp.	18½		U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	41½	
Hercules Powder Co.	90		U.S. Steel	67½	
Homestake Mining	60½		Vanadium	34	
International Harvester	62½		Walworth Co.	61½	
Int. Nickel	36½		Warner Bros. Pict.	3½	
Int. Tel. & Tel.	41		Westinghouse Elec.	114½	
Johns-Manville	75		Woodward Iron Cor.	23½	
J. & Laughlin Steel \$7 pfd.	68		Chase National Bank	36½	
Kennecott Copper	38		National City Bank	29 1/4	

*—bid. —ex. div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939	High	Low	Dow Jones Average	Dec. 17, 1939	High	Low	Change
18.92	121.41	80	Industrial	149.84	149.04	149.38	28 off
26.90	241.41	90	Rail	31.61	31.87	31.73	68 off
37.07	207.20	20	Utilities	84.92	25.00	24.84	24.88 off
29.22	84.51	40	Bonds	89.23		88.29	1.00 off
62.70	45.59	11	Commodity Index	62.70		63.70	1.00 up

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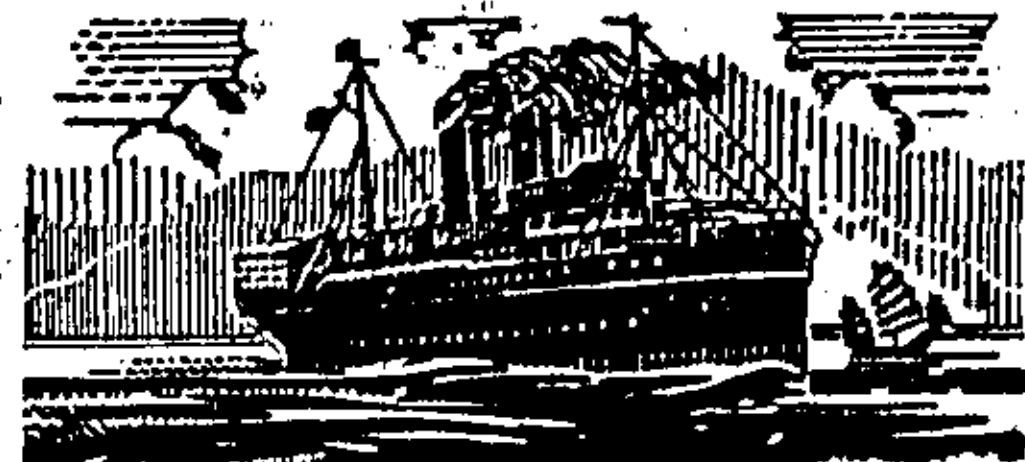
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WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., December 17.
Barometer (at sea level) 30.23 ins.
Temperature, 68 F.
Humidity, 55 per cent
Wind Direction, N.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.
Temperature; maximum yesterday, 70 F.
Temperature, minimum last night, 59 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st 36.70 ins.
Against an average of, 84.56 ins.
Sunrise tonight, 5.42 p.m.
Sunset tomorrow, 5.56 a.m.
4 p.m., December 17.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.14 ins.
Temperature, 69 F.
Humidity, 57 per cent
Wind Direction, ESE.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.
Maximum temperature 74 F.
Minimum temperature, 59 F.
Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 18 to 24 Dec. 1939

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Date of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Mon.	18	h. m.	h. m.
		00 32	6 0
		16 04	5 1
Tues.	19	01 07	5 8
		14 46	5 3
Wed.	20	02 11	5 0
		17 15	5 6
Thur.	21	03 42	4 7
		17 23	6 0
Fri.	22	05 36	4 4
		18 08	6 4
Sat.	23	07 07	4 4
		18 44	7 0
Sun.	24	08 17	4 4
		19 22	7 5

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Hong Kong, 12th Dec., 1939. [881]

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R. OHL,

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Hong Kong, 1939. [882]

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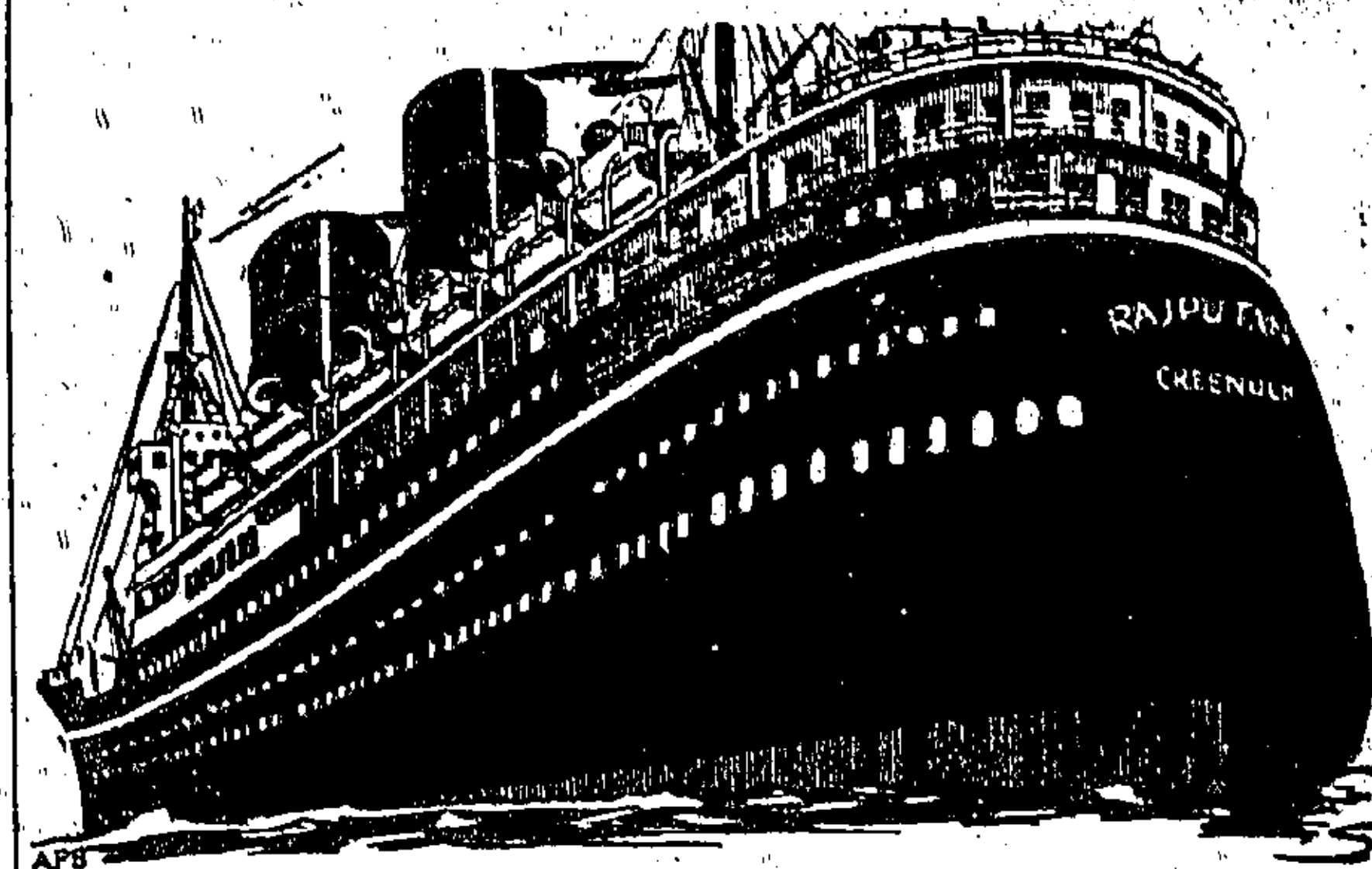
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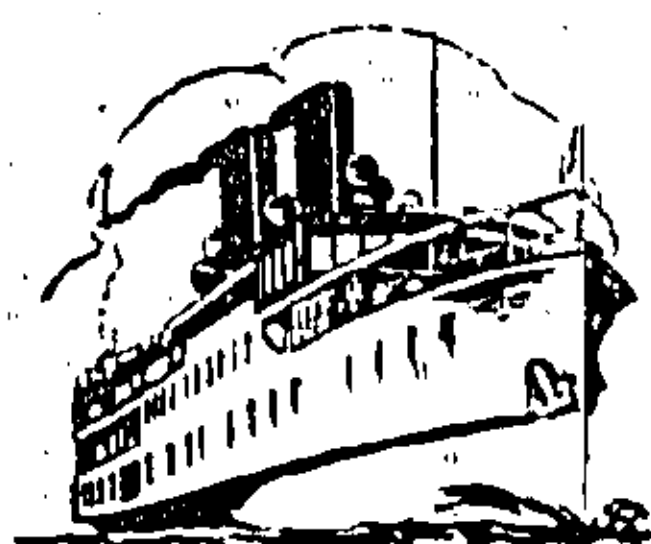
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VOLUNTEERS
DRAW WITH
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In a friendly all-day cricket
match played on the Craigengower
Cricket Club ground yesterday, 3rd
(M. G.) Company of the Hongkong
Volunteer Defence Corps drew with
the Middlesex Regiment the soldiers
being 41 runs in arrears with one
wicket in hand at the close of play.

3RD (M. G.) COY

C. Q. M. S. Fincher, c Jones.	
b Pearson	5
L/Cpl. Hung, b Young	41
Sgt. Zimmern (B), b Pearson	1
L/Cpl. Mackay, c and b Seaton	39
Pte. Zimmern (F. R.), b Young	24
Lt. D. J. N. Anderson, c Weedon, b Young	21
Pte. Zimmern (A), b Hatfield	1
Pte. Rapley, b Hatfield	17
Pte. Madar, retired	22
Sgt. Winch, b Hatfield	1
Weedon, b Young	21
Pte. Way, not out	1
Extras	9
Total	182

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.	
Hatfield	10 — 45 3
Pearson	6 — 40 2
Williams	4 — 23 —
Young	7 — 40 3
Seaton	2 — 13 1
Peal	2 — 12 —

MIDDLESEX REGT.

Pte. Jones, run out	15
Pte. Cutler, c E. Zimmern, b F. R. Zimmern	1
Pte. Pearson, c and b F. R. Zimmern	2
Lt. M. P. Weedon, c Hung, b Anderson	8
L/Cpl. Young, b Winch	22
Pte. Hatfield, c E. Zimmern, b Anderson	2
Pte. Cordery, not out	33
L/Cpl. Seaton, c and b Winch	0
L/Cpl. Williams, c E. Zimmern, b Anderson	29
Pte. Aldridge, not out	0
Extras	26
Total (for 9 wickets)	141

Lt. A. W. F. Peal did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.	
F. R. Zimmern	12 3 39 2
Winch	10 2 24 2
Anderson	8 1 28 3
Way	2 — 13 —
Mackay	2 — 11 —

K.B.G.C. XMAS PARTY

A large number of children,
gathered at the Kowloon Bowling
Green Club on Saturday
afternoon for the ninth annual
children's sports and
Christmas party.

The Band of the Kumaon Rifles
was in attendance throughout the
afternoon.

Among the guests were the Chief
Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and
Lady Macgregor. The latter gave
away the prizes, and was presented
with a bouquet by Miss Mavis
S. White, 10-year-old daughter
of Mr. S.M. White, Hon. Secretary
of the Club.

Father Christmas presented
each child with a gift.

Results of the competitions follow:

Potato Race (Boys, 9 to 14 years): 1. Colin Oakenfull; 2. John Boyce.
Potato Race (Boys, 4 to 8 years): 1. Kenneth Armstrong; 2. Peter Peckham.
"Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs"—Vocal Gems from the Walt Disney Film... Chorus and Orchestra directed by Jay Wilbur. Medley of Shirley Temple Songs from film "Poor Little Rich Girl"... The Henderson Twins (Vocal) with Orchestra. Studio—Story by Aunt Susan. Rag Doll (Brown)... New Mayfair Novelty Orchestra. Mammy's Lullaby... The Green Brothers' Maritime Band with Vocal Chorus.
6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Selections from Light Opera.
7.00 "Swing" Music.
7.30 London Relay—The News.
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.32 This week's programmes.
8.57 Studio—Jazz Piano Recital by Doreen Ma.

1.—Medley. Intro: Deep Purple; They Say; And the Angels Sing. 2.—Worried Over You. 3.—It Took a Million Years. 4.—You're so Desirable. 5.—Poor Butterfly. 6.—Ten for Two.

8.25 Reginald Fort at the Organ. "Transatlantic Rhythm" Medley. Hit Parade Intro: Rosalie; Are you sincere; Thanks for the memory; The pretty little patchwork quilt; So many memories; You're a sweetheart.

8.35 Light Orchestral Concert with Ina Souez (Soprano) and Herbert E. Groh (Tenor).
An Excursion in The Vienna Woods (A medley, arr. M. Charlie, from melodies by Strauss) with The Great Symphony Orchestra with Chorus.

Love Everlasting (Crawling and Primal); I Want Your Heart (Havin' Wood)... Ina Souez (Soprano) with

MR. JUSTICE LINDSELL
SCORES 56 AT K.C.C.:
GOVERNOR AS UMPIRE

Hongkong Cricket Club beat Kowloon Cricket Club by 60 runs in the "Over 45" match played at Cox's Path yesterday. A feature of the afternoon's cricket was the superiority of batsmen over bowlers, no fewer than five of the former retiring undefeated with scores of more than 25.

Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell played a Captain's innings for K.C.C., retiring after a contribution of 56 runs that included only eight boundaries. The best bowling feat of the match was Professor F. A. Redmond's three wickets for five runs.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, did not play, but, instead, officiated as umpire. J. P. Robinson was the other umpire, and Frank Goodwin, the K.C.C. 1st XI captain, was scorer. Another feature of the match was the excellent wicket-keeping. S. Jex, the former K.C.C. and Interport wicket-keeper, did not let through a single bye, while the H.K.C.C. "keeper, Brig. McLeod, let two byes.

The scores:—

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

Brig. McLeod, retired	26
C. Blaker, b. Nash	10
R. S. W. Paterson, c. Green	21
b. Fraser	21
R. D. Gillespie, retired	32
T. E. Pearce, b. Hobbs	30
F. A. Redmond, b. Nash	1
J. D. Humphreys, c. Lindsell, b. Fraser	18
C. S. Stark, hit wicket b. Fraser	6
E. J. R. Mitchell, retired	32
G. S. Lovett, b. Nash	14
E. W. Hamilton, not out	9
Extras	3
Total	202

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.	
Parsons	6 0 31 0
Nash	8 7 0 83 3
Fraser	9 0 67 3
Hobbs	2 0 17 1
Green	1 0 15 0

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB

S. Jex, c. Pearce, b. Paterson	0
W. Nash, c. Pearce, b. Hamilton	5
Capt. Martin, c. and b. Paterson	17
Capt. Parsons, retired	27
R. E. Lindsell, retired	56
J. Fraser, b. Pearce	7
C. G. Green, not out	24
W. N. Hobbs, c. Pearce, b. Lovett	0
T. G. Stokes, b. Redmond	2
E. Abraham, c. McLeod, b. Redmond	2
F. E. Nash, b. Redmond	0
Extras	2
Total	142

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.	
Paterson	4 1 15 2
Hamilton	3 0 33 1
Gillespie	4 0 28 0
Pearce	4 0 23 1
Humphreys	2 0 16 0
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Radio Programmes

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PIANO RECITAL BY DOREEN MA FROM THE STUDIO

Variety Programmes

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30. Frank Titterton (Tenor) and the New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Hallelujah, I'm a Trump"—Selection (Hart and Rodgers); "A Bedtime Story"—Selection (Rainer)... New Mayfair Orchestra. Oh! No John (arr. Sharp)... Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Piano. Tunes of Not-So-Long Ago—1923-24. Intro: Last night on the back porch; My sweetie went away; Wonderful one; Yes, we have no bananas; It ain't gonna rain no more; I love you; What'll I do; Horsey, keep your tail up... New Mayfair Orchestra. In An Old Fashioned Town (Squire); My Dear Soul (Sanderson)... Frank Titterton (Tenor) with Piano. Tunes of Not-So-Long Ago—1923-24. Intro: Ain't we got fun; Cool Black Mammy; Just for a while; Swanee; Say it while dancing; Kitten on the keys; Omaha Waltz; Sheik of Araby... New Mayfair Orchestra.

1.00. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03. Dance Music by Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

1.30. Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45. Variety with Greta Keller, Charlie Kunz, Len Filitz, Leslie Hutchinson and Quentin Maclean.

2.15 Close down.

2.30. "For the Children."

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Orchestra. Hungary (after original folk melodies arr. Jo Knumann); Budapest At Night (Hungarian Airs arr. von Beiti-Pilinsky)... George Boulanger and His Orchestra. Because I Love You, Bella, Lucia (Leenen-Mahler-Schulte); You Lovely Ladies (Bund-Siegel)... Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Orch. Come To The Ball (from The Quaker Girl—Monckton). Orchestra Louise with Vocal Refrain by G. Fitzgerald.

9.05. Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15. London Relay—News Summary.

9.25. B.B.C. Recording—"The Town House and the Country Mouse."

Music and words by Henry Reed. Production by David Porter.

9.55. John Goss (Baritone) and the Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.

The Three Ravens (arr. Kennedy Scott); The Boatman (Harris). One More Day; On The Banks of Sacramento (arr. Harris).

10.05. Variety with Jack Savage and His Cowboys, Murgatroyd and Winterbottom, Elsie and Doris, Waters, and Ralph Reader.

Vocal—Going Home: Tumbling Tumble Weeds... Jack Savage and His Cowboys. Humorous—About Cruises (Frankau-Handley-Crick); Art (Frankau and Others)... Murgatroyd and Winterbottom with Monte Crick at the Piano. Comedienne—Gert, Daisy, A Piano—An Howl... Elsie and Doris Waters. Vocal—Gang Show of 1938... Ralph Reader and Chorus with Orchestra.

10.30. Dance Music.

11.00. Close down.

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Saigon	18th Dec.
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Shanghai and Amoy	19th Dec.
Canton	19th Dec.
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Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 13th November)	19th Dec.
Straits	19th Dec.
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Straits	20th Dec.
Straits	20th Dec.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 13th Dec.	21st Dec.
U. S. A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 22nd November)	21st Dec.
Australia and Manila	21st Dec.
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Shanghai	21st Dec.
Straits	22nd Dec.
Japan	22nd Dec.
Sandakan	22nd Dec.
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Japan and Shanghai	23rd Dec.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 18th November)	23rd Dec.
Shanghai	24th Dec.
Shanghai and Amoy	24th Dec.
Japan	24th Dec.
Straits	25th Dec.
Calcutta and Straits	25th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	26th Dec.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	26th Dec.
Manila	26th Dec.
Manila	26th Dec.
Straits	26th Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	27th Dec.
Shanghai	27th Dec.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 3rd December)	28th Dec.
Japan	28th Dec.
Sandakan	29th Dec.
Shanghai	29th Dec.
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For	Date and Time
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Shanghai	11.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	1.30 p.m.
Japan	7.00 p.m.
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Reg. 6.00 p.m.	
Ord. 5.30 p.m.	
G.P.O.	
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Ord. 5.30 p.m.	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 27th December	Reg. 7.00 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U. S. A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 25th December	Reg. 18th 5.00 p.m.
Fort Bayard, and Hoihow	1.30 p.m.
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Reg. 6.00 p.m.	
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Reg. 5.00 p.m.	
Ord. 5.30 p.m.	
Airmail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 25th December	Reg. 7.00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 20th
Canton	7.15 a.m.
Shanghai and Parcell only for Tientsin	10.31 a.m.
Haiphong, (Parcels only)	1.00 p.m.
Haiphong	2.00 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	2.30 p.m.
K.P.O.	
Reg. 5.00 p.m.	
Ord. 5.30 p.m.	
G.P.O.	
Reg. 5.00 p.m.	
Ord. 7.00 p.m.	
Straits	7.00 p.m.